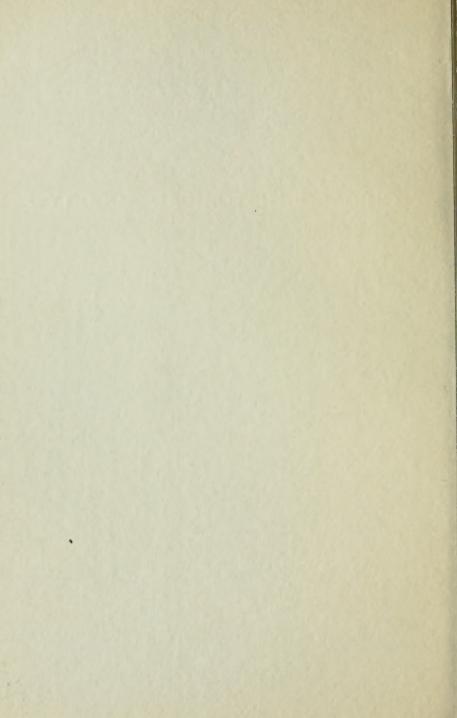
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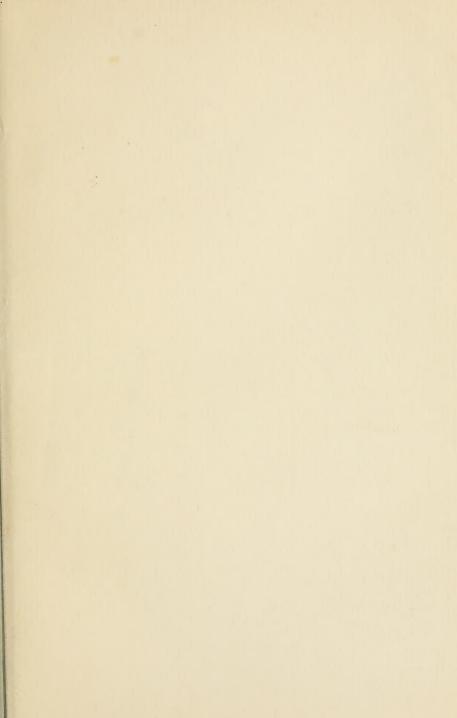
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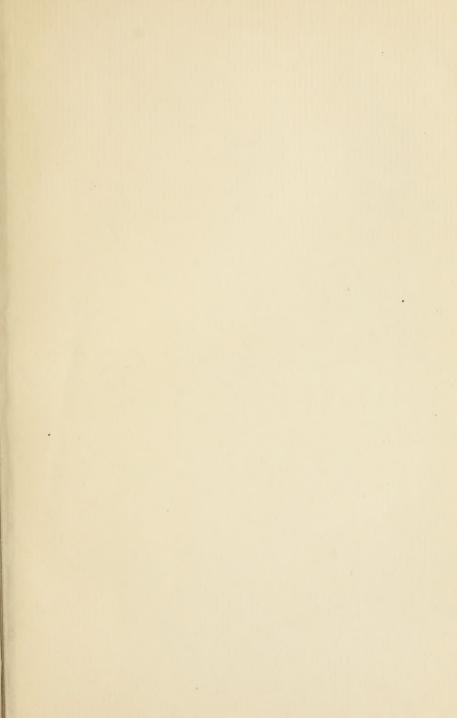


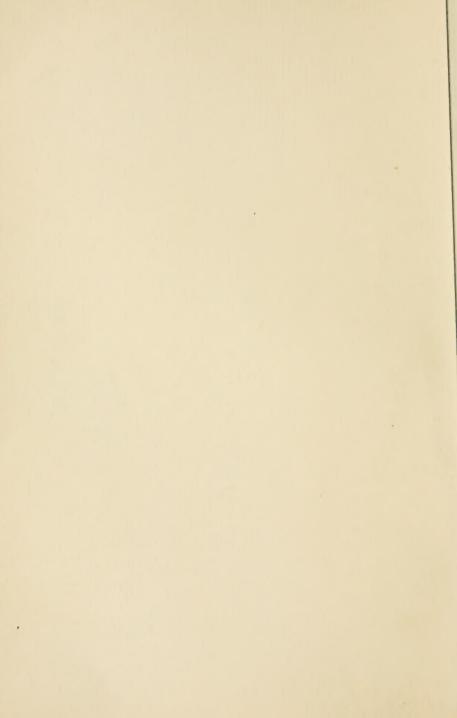


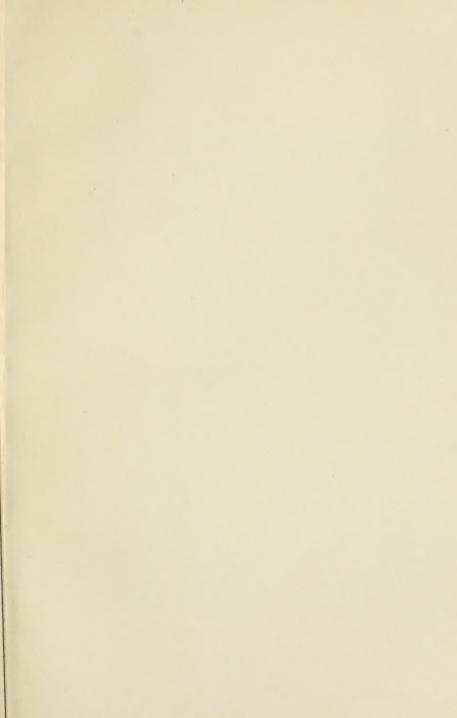


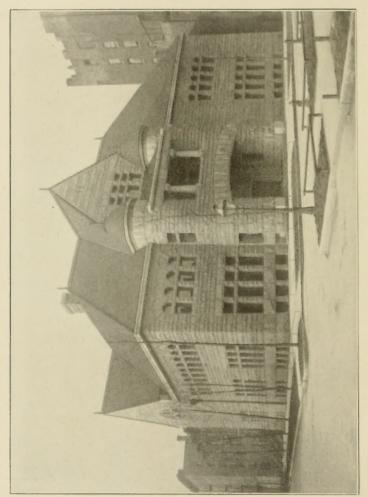












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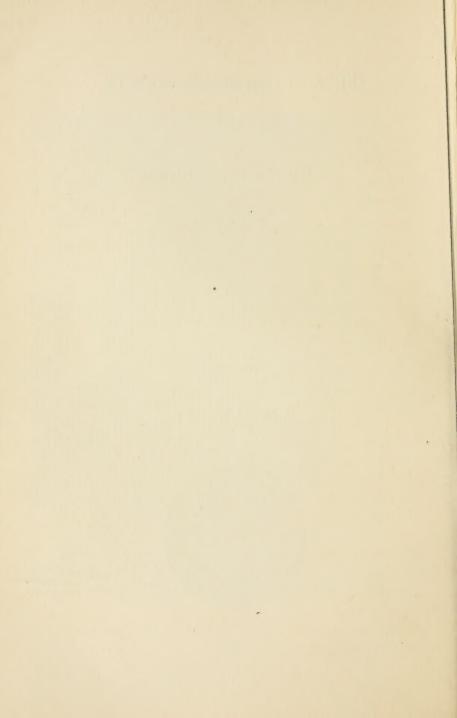
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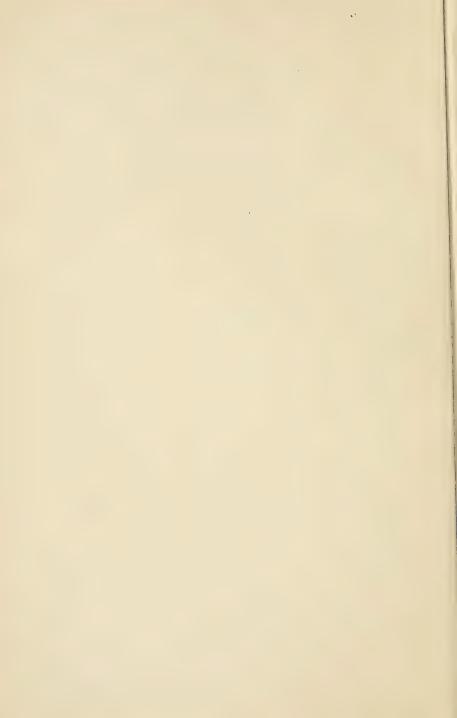
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CHARTER

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Whereas, it is conductive to the public good of a State, to encourage such institutions as have for their object to collect and preserve the memorials of its founders and benefactors, as well as the historical evidences of its progress in settlement and population, and in the arts, improvements, and institutions which distinguish a civilized community, and to transmit the same for the instruction and benefit of future generations:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That Wm. H. Brown, William B. Ogden, J. Young Scammon, Mason Brayman, Mark Skinner, Geo. Manierre, John H. Kinzie, J. V. Z. Blaney, E. I. Tinkham, J. D. Webster, W. A. Smallwood, V. H. Higgins, N. S. Davis, Charles H. Ray, S. D. Ward, M. D. Ogden, F. Scammon, E. B. McCagg, and William Barry, all of the City of Chicago, who have associated for the purpose aforesaid, be and are hereby formed into and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the "Chicago Historical Society," and that they and their successors, and such others as shall be legally elected by them as their associates, shall be and continue a body politic and corporate, by that name, forever.

SEC. 2. Said Society shall have power to elect a President, and all necessary officers. and shall have one common seal, and the same may break, change and renew at pleasure; and, as a body politic and corporate, by the name aforesaid, may sue and be sued, and prosecute and defend suits, both in law and equity, to final judgment and execution.

SEC. 3. The said Society shall have power to make all orders and by-laws for governing its members and property, not repugnant to the laws of this State; and may expel, disfranchise, or suspend any member, who, by his misconduct, shall be rendered unworthy, or who shall neglect or refuse to observe the rules and by-laws of this Society.

SEC. 4. The said Society may, from time to time,

establish rules for electing officers and members, and also times and places for holding meetings; and is hereby empowered to take and hold real or personal estate, by gift, grant, devise, or purchase, or otherwise, and the same, or

any part thereof, to alien and convey.

The said Society shall have power to elect corresponding and honorary members thereof, in the various parts of this State and of the several United States, and also in foreign countries, at their discretion: Provided, however, that the number of resident members of said Society shall never exceed sixty; and William H. Brown, or any other person named in this act, is hereby authorized and empowered to notify and call together the first meeting of said Society; and the same Society, when met, shall agree upon a method for calling further meetings, and may have power to adjourn from time to time, as may be found necessary.

SEC. 6. Members of the Legislature of this State, in either branch, and Judges of the Supreme Court, and officers of State, shall and may have free access to said

Society's library and cabinet.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, February 7, 1857.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, APPROVED FEBRUARY 7, 1857.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That section five (5) of the act, to which this is an amendment, be so amended that said Society shall have power to increase the number of its resident members, from time to time, to any

number that shall by it be deemed expedient.

SEC. 2. The said Society shall have power to borrow money and mortgage its real estate to secure the same, to an amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, to be used in completing and paying for the buildings now in process of erection on the real estate of said Society. And the real estate and property of said Society shall be exempt from taxation.

This act shall take effect and be in force from SEC. 3. and after its passage.

Approved, January 30, 1867.

CONSTITUTION

Adopted, 1856. Revised, November 29, 1870. Amended January 16, 1883. Again Revised, November 21, 1893.

ARTICLE I.

NAME AND OBJECTS.

This society shall be called the CHICAGO HIS-TORICAL SOCIETY.

Its objects shall be to institute and encourage historical inquiry, to collect and preserve the materials of history, and to spread historical information, especially concerning the Northwestern States.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERSHIP.

Section 1. This Society shall be composed of Life, Annual, Honorary, and Corresponding members, all of whom shall be elected by ballot only at a regular meeting of the Society, and only upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, unless, by unanimous consent, they shall be elected by a viva-voce vote cast at a regular meeting by twenty legally-qualified voters. Three adverse ballots or three dissenting votes shall reject the candidate.

SEC. 2. The dues for membership shall be as follows: For Life-membership, five hundred dollars; and for Annual membership, twenty-five dollars per annum; the first year's dues being payable within one month after election to mem-

bership, and notice of such election.

SEC. 3. The right to hold office and vote, and to take any part in the proceedings of the Society, shall be accorded to and may be exercised only by the members of the two classes first hereinbefore named.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS.

Section 1. The officers of the Society shall consist of a President, First and Second Vice-Presidents, and an Executive Committee, consisting of the President of the Society, ex-officio, who shall be the chairman thereof, and eight others, all of which aforenamed officers shall be members of the Society, and also a Treasurer, a Librarian, and a Secretary.

SEC. 2. The President and Vice-Presidents shall be elected by ballot at the annual meetings for one year, and shall respectively remain in office until the election of their successors.

They shall perform such duties as are common to such officers or as may be prescribed in the By-Laws. Vacancies occurring from any cause in any of these offices may be filled by ballot at any special meeting, notice of such elec-

tion being given in the notice of such meeting.

SEC. 3 The Executive Committee shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meetings, two members of which shall, from the time of the first election hereunder, hold their office until the next annual election of officers; two of them until the second such election; two of them until the third such election; and two of them until the fourth such election. The terms for which the first members so chosen at the first election shall hold their office, shall be determined by lot immediately after such election.

SEC. 4. At each annual meeting thereafter there shall be elected by ballot two persons to fill the places vacant by the expiration of the term of those heretofore elected as members of the Executive Committee, and of those who

shall hereafter be elected such members.

On the expiration of the term of any of the members of said committee, their successors shall be elected by ballot

for the term of four years.

Vacancies in the Executive Committee during an unexpired term, caused by death, resignation, removal from office, or inability to act, may be filled by a majority of the remaining members of said committee, until the succeeding annual election, at which time such vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as members of said committee are elected for the full term of their office.

SEC. 5. The Executive Committee, constituted above, shall alone hold, manage, administer, and control all the money, property, effects, and affairs of the Society: and said committee may appoint a Treasurer, a Librarian, a Secretary, and such assistants and employes in the service of the Society as to said committee may seem fit; and may prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of such officers, assistants and employes, and said committee may make investments of the Society's funds, provided that no fund bequeathed to or held by the Society for a specific purpose shall be appropriated to or used for any other purpose, and provided further that said committee shall not

incur any liability on the part of said Society in any one year which shall exceed its annual income; and it shall be the duty of said committee to make an annual report to the Society of all its acts and doings.

ARTICLE IV.

MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business relating to the affairs of the Society shall be held on the third Tuesday of November in each year, and the fiscal year of the Society shall begin with each such annual meeting and end on the following annual meeting thereof.

SEC. 2. The regular meetings shall be held at such times and conducted in such manner as shall be prescribed in the By-Laws and directed by the Executive Committee, provided no such regular meeting shall occur at the same

time with the annual meeting.

SEC. 3. At the annual meetings not less than twenty members having the right to vote, and at the special business meetings not less than ten such members shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 4. Special meetings and special business meetings may be called by the President, or, in case of his absence, by one of the Vice-Presidents, of which due notice shall be given at least two days beforehand.

CHAPTER V.

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be altered by a two-third vote at any annual or special business meeting; provided that not less than twenty members having the right to vote shall be present when such vote is taken; and provided, further, that the printed or written proposition to so alter shall have been submitted at a previous annual or special business meeting, and that notice of the proposed amendment or amendments shall also have been given in the notice of the meeting at which it shall finally be acted upon.

BY-LAWS

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. I. SEC. I. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Executive Committee, and call such special meetings and special business meetings as he may deem necessary, or as he may, in writing, be requested to call by five members of the Society.

SEC. 2. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the case of the absence of the President from the meetings of the Society or from Chicago.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee may adopt such rules for their own action not in conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society, as they may find most convenient and necessary.

SEC. 4. All nominations to membership shall be submitted to the Executive Committee, and reported

upon by them to the Society.

MEETINGS.

II. Section 1. The regular meetings of the Society shall be held on the third Tuesday of each of the following named months, to-wit: January, April and October.

SEC. 2. The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of November, the precise hour in the case of this and all other meetings of the Society being designated by the President and stated in the notice of the meeting.

SEC. 3. The exercises of the regular and special meetings of the Society shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee, and in general conformity

with the objects of the Society.

SEC. 4. The order of business at the special business meetings of the Society shall be as follows:

- Reading the minutes of the next preceding business meeting.
- 2. Reports of Officers.
- 3. Reports of Committees.
- 4. Election of new members.
- 5. Deferred business.
- New business.

SEC. 5. The order of business at the annual meeting of the Society shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of the next preceeding

meeting.

- Reports of Officers for the year terminating at the annual meeting.
- 3. Reports of Committees and Trustees.

4. Election of Officers.

- 5. Election of new members.
- 6. Deferred Business.

7. New business.

MEMBERSHIP.

III. Section 1. The dues of the annual members of the Society shall be payable annually in advance on

the third Tuesday of November in each year.

SEC. 2. Should the dues of any member remain unpaid for the space of one month, the Executive Committee shall notify him in writing, that unless his dues are paid within one month from the date of such notice his membership shall cease, and unless such dues are paid pursuant to such notice, or such default is accounted for to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee, such person shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Society.

SUSPENSION AND AMENDMENTS.

IV. The By-Laws in whole or in part may be suspended during any special business or annual meeting, by vote of a majority of the members present at any such meeting. The By-Laws may be amended on the same conditions prescribed for amending the Constitution.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 15, 1904.

The annual meeting of the Chicago Historical Society was held in the Reading Room of the Society's Building, corner of Dearborn avenue and Ontario street, on Tuesday evening, November 15, 1904, at eight o'clock, pursuant to notice given and as ordered by its Constitution, ACTING PRESIDENT HEAD in the chair. The follow-

ing members were present:

CHARLES C. ADSIT, HENRY C. BANNARD, ELIPHALET W. BLATCHFORD, JOSEPH T. BOWEN, RT. REV. CHARLES E. CHENEY, THOMAS DENT, GEORGE H. FERGUS, WILLIAM A. FULLER, CHARLES F. GUNTHER, FRANKLIN H. HEAD, CHARLES H. HULBURD, J. FRANKLIN JAMESON, SAMUEL H. KERFOOT, JR., GEORGE MERRYWEATHER, WALTER C. NEWBERRY, WILLIAM J. QUAN, WILLIAM H. REHM, FREDERICK M. SCHMIDT, RICHARD E. SCHMIDT, OTTO L. SCHMIDT, MISS FREDRIKA SKINNER, LAMBERT TREE, also the SECRETARY and the LIBRARIAN.

At the appointed hour ACTING PRESIDENT HEAD called the meeting to order and announced that a quorum was present, and that the first order of business was the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting. Mr. Kerfoot moved that in as much as the minutes had been printed and distributed to the members the reading be dispensed with. On being duly seconded by Mr.

Fuller, the motion was put and adopted.

The Secretary then presented and read the following:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 15, 1904.

To the Members of the Chicago Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN:—In conformity with the Society's Constitution, the Executive Committee has the honor to submit its annual report to the Society as follows:

FUNDS.

The Society's Funds consist of six special funds and a general fund.

The Henry D. Gilpin Fund (\$65,416.93, as per their report) is under the exclusive care and management of trustees appointed under the will of Henry D. Gilpin. The income from this fund, as paid to the Society by said trustees, is applied entirely to the maintenance of the Gilpin Library. The vacancies in the board of trustees caused by the death of trustees Burley, Willing and Yoe, have been filled by the recent appointment by the Superior Court of Cook County, of Clarence A. Burley, Walter L. Fisher and Erskine M. Phelps, who, with Eugene H. Fishburn and the President and first Vice-President of the Society, ex officiis, constitute the present trustees. A full statement of this fund is given in the report of these trustees, presented herewith on pages 239 and 240.

THE JONATHAN BURR FUND consists of a legacy of \$2,000 from the late Jonathan Burr, the income to be used to help defray the expenses of printing the Society's publications. It is invested in twenty-one lots in the Town of Calumet, acquired in settlement of a note of Alice L. M. Trowbridge, secured by trust deed on said lots. The account is as follows:

Available balance on hand, Nov. 17, 1903.\$119.95 Rec'd for rent of property 34.00	
Paid taxes and repairs on property	
	\$127.30

The Philo Carpenter Fund consists of a legacy of \$1,000 from the late Philo Carpenter, the income to be devoted to binding books and periodicals. It is now deposited in the Savings Department of the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company, as a special fund, drawing three per cent interest payable semi-annually. The account stands as follows:

Available	balance on	hand,	Nov.	17,	1903.	\$ 80	.42
Received	interest on	fund.				31	.20

Available balance on hand, Nov. 15, 1904. \$ 111.62

THE ELIZABETH HAMMOND STICKNEY FUND consists of a legacy of \$5,000 from the late Elizabeth Hammond Stickney, the income to be used in maintaining the Stickney Library and making additions thereto. It is invested in five \$1,000 general mortgage, four per cent bonds of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company. The account of this fund stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Nov. 17, 1903 \$432.80 Received for interest coupons...... 200.00

Available balance on hand, Nov. 15, 1904. \$632.80

THE LUCRETIA POND FUND, being the proceeds of a bequest of real estate to the Society by Lucretia Pond, consists of a principal of \$13,500, the income to be used in the purchase of books, pamphlets, and documents, or pictures and paintings of historical interest. It is invested in:

- 1. A coupon note of Parker C. Porter and Charles A. Welch for \$8,750, secured by a trust deed to Lot 11, Block 25, Elston's Addition to Chicago, with interest at five per cent per annum. The principal will be due April 5, 1907. All interest due has been paid.
- 2. The balance of said Fund, to-wit: \$4,750, is now deposited in the Savings Department of the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company as a special fund, drawing three per cent interest payable semi-annually. The account of this fund stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Nov. 17 1903, \$362.46 Rec'd interest on Porter and Welch note 437.50 Rec'd interest on Fund in Savings Bank.. 148.06 \$948.02

Paid out for books and periodicals...... 717.36

Available balance on hand, Nov. 15, 1904 \$230.66

THE HUNTINGTON WOLCOTT JACKSON FUND consists of a bequest of \$1,000 from the late Huntington Wolcott Jackson. This amount, less the inheritance tax, was received by the Society on May 19, 1902, and deposited in the Savings Department of the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company as a special fund, drawing three per cent

interest, payable semi-annually. The interest has been applied to make up the amount of the inheritance tax, and the principal of the fund is now intact. The account of this fund stands as follows:

Principal of Fund\$1,	000.00
Interest on hand, Nov. 17, 1903	3.33
Rec'd interest on Fund in Savings Bank	30.31
Amount on hand, Nov. 15, 1904	\$1,033.64

THE GENERAL FUND, from which the general expenditures of the Society are made, is derived principally from the annual dues of members, together with such gifts as are made from time to time without special restrictions. The account of this fund stands as follows:

GENERAL FUND.

NOVEMBER 17, 1903, TO NOVEMBER 15, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Nov 17, 1903 \$6,	121.77
Dues from annual members 3,	585.00
Trustees of Gilpin Fund 1,	800.00
Donations	12.00
Interest and other sources	211.50
	\$11,730.27

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	\$4,109.00
Repairs and betterments	413.00
Books and documents	
Printing	
General expenses	1,296.94
Cash on hand, Nov. 15, 1904	4,822.04
, , , ,	\$11,730.27

TRIAL BALANCE.

NOVEMBER 15, 1904.

	Dr.	Cr.
General Fund		\$230,822.04
Jonathan Burr Fund		2,127.30
Philo Carpenter Fund		1,111.62
Huntington W. Jackson Fund.		1,033.64
Henry D. Gilpin Fund		65,416.93
Lucretia Pond Fund		13,730.66
Elizabeth H. Stickney Fund		5,632.80
Bills Receivable	9,750.00	·
Bonds	5,000.00	
Merchants' Loan & Trust Co.	ĺ	
Savings Accounts	6,750.00	
*Real Estate	227,000.00	
Trustees Henry D. Gilpin Fund.	65,416.93	
Cash	5,958.06	

\$319,874.99 \$319,874.99

*Society's building and land, \$225,000; Trowbridge subdivision lots, \$2,000.

DIGEST OF TRIAL BALANCE.

FUND.	Cash.	Bills Rec'bl	Bonds	M. L. & T. Co. Sav- ings Accs.	Real Estate	Trustees Gilpin Fund	TOTALS
General	\$4,822.04 127.30				\$225,000 2,000		\$ 230,822.04 2,127.30
Philo Carpenter Huntington W. Jackson				\$1,000 1,000			11,111.62 1.033.64
Henry D. Gilpin				· ·		\$65,416.93	65,416.93
Lucretia Pond Elizabeth H. Stickney	230.66 632.80	8,750.00	\$5000.00	4,750			13,730.66 5 632.80
Totals	5 958.06	9,750.00	5000,00	6,750	227.000	65,416.93	319,874.89

M. M. DUTTON,

Accountant.

The foregoing and the appended reports of the Treasurer and the Librarian show that the Society is cntirely free from debts of every kind, except those of gratitude, and that its work is being vigorously prosecuted. Its trust funds are all intact and productive, and their income is being devoted to the purposes for which the several funds were established. The Society also has on hand a cash balance which, added to the regular membership dues, assures its ability to accomplish during the ensuing year at least as much as it has in the one now closing.

Gratifying as are these facts the need still exists of an increased annual membership, and of so liberal an endowment fund as will insure perpetuity to the Society's existence, and make possible the achievement of even greater results in the ever widening field of its labors.

In repeating its expressions of gratitude for the gifts and bequests of the Society's friends during the past, the Executive Committee earnestly trusts that the noble examples thus set may inspire the members with pride, and stimulate their interest in aiding the Committee to fulfill its hopes for the future.

MEETINGS.

Since the last annual meeting the following quarterly and special meetings of the Society have been held.

January 19, 1904, the Hon. David McCulloch, of Peoria, Ill., addressed the Society at a regular quarterly meeting on "Early Days of Chicago and Peoria." The speaker gave much valuable and interesting information of the period when Chicago was in Peoria County.

At a special meeting held February 16, 1904, Messrs. Addison Ballard and Frank W. Smith entertained the members of the Society and its guests by an address on "Early Chicago" and the presentation of several hundred stereopticon views of Chicago scenes before the Great Fire.

On February 29, 1904, a joint meeting of the Chicago Historical Society, the Chicago Bar Association, and the John Marshall Law School was held in the Chicago Historical Society's building in honor of the memory of the Honorable John Nelson Jewett, LL. D., late president of this Society, dean of said Law School, and a former president of the Bar Association. Addresses were delivered by Hon. Peter S. Grosscup, Mr. Stephen S. Gregory and Mr. Edward T. Lee.

At a special meeting of the Society, held March 10, 1904, Col. John Snider Cooper entertained and instructed an appreciative audience by an address on "Russia and

the United States in the Civil War."

Mr. Walter H. Page, New York, editor of *The World's Work*, addressed a special meeting of the Society, March 22, 1904. His subject was "What time has taught us about Southern Problems," and his treatment of it was marked by historic insight and freedom from prejudice.

May 5, 1904, Prof. James Alton James, of Northwestern University, addressed a special meeting of the Society on the subject: "Some Phases of French Diplomatic Policy in America during Washington's Second Administration." Prof. James gave the results of recent investigation of materials in the French Archives.

Mr. William Radebaugh addressed the Society and its guests at a special meeting held May 19, 1904, on the subject of "The Boundary Line between Illinois and Wisconsin." The speaker discussed the causes of the agitation to change the boundary line and the causes of

the failure of the project.

Besides the meetings held under the auspices of this Society, the Executive Committee has from time to time granted certain other organizations the use of the So-

ciety's Building.

On February 12, 1904, the German-American Historical Society of Illinois held its fourth annual meeting in the Lecture Hall. Prof. J. Hanno Deiler, of Tulane University, New Orleans, gave an exceedingly interesting address on the subject: "Count de Leon, Duke of Jerusalem, and the Colony of Germantown in Louisiana."

The North Central History Teachers Association held a session of their annual convention in the Reading-Room, on the evening of March 25, 1904, at which Mr. William Radebaugh, of the Chicago Normal School, read a paper on "The Disputed Boundary between Illinois and Wisconsin."

The Geographical Society of Chicago has held its meetings this year, as last, in the Lecture Hall of the Historical Society's Building. The following is the program

of its meetings:

November 24, 1903, 8 P. M. Illustrated lecture by Prof. Albert Perry Brigham, of Colgate University, on "Geography and American History."

December 12, 1903, 11 A. M. Lecture by Prof. D. C. Ridgley, Illinois State University, on "Field Work of

the United States Fish Commission."

January 15, 1904, 8 P. M. Reception to Dr. S. W. Williston, Head of the Department of Paleontology, University of Chicago.

February 19, 1904, 8 P. M. Lecture by Charles Emerson Peet, Lewis Institute, on "The Hudson and

Champlain Valleys."

March 19, 1904, 11 A. M. Lecture by James Taft

Hatfield, Northwestern University, on "Literary Geog-

raphy."

April 16, 1904, 11 A. M. Lecture by Dr. S. W. Williston, University of Chicago, on 'The Great Plains.'

May 13, 1904, 8 P. M. Annual meeting with Presi-

dent's address.

Saturday evening, September 17, 1904, at 8 P. M. Reception to meet the Eighth International Geographic Congress. Brief addresses by Mr. Franklin H. Head.

The Chicago Numismatic Society has regularly held its meetings in the Reading Room on the first Fri-

day evening of every month.

The Executive Committee takes pleasure in announcing that the American Historical Association, having accepted the invitation of the Chicago Historical Society, the University of Chicago and kindred local institutions, will hold its Annual Meeting in this city on December 28, 29 and 30, 1904. According to their program as now adopted, a Reception for the Association's members and those of the American Economic Association, and the members of the Chicago Historical Society and its guests, will be held in this Society's Building on the evening of Wednesday, December 28th. This will doubtless be the occasion of a notable assembling under our roof of historians, savants and scholars of international repute; and if your Committee is able to carry out its present plans, there will be on exhibition, original manuscripts, documents and other materials of history such as are rarely assembled in one building, and will excite the admiration and increase the knowledge of all who are privileged to see them.

MEMBERSHIP.

During the fiscal year closing to-day, the Society has added to its roll (including the members elected this evening), one life member, thirteen annual members, one honorary member and eighteen corresponding members, as follow:

LIFE MEMBER.
ELLEN ROUNTREE JEWETT.

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

Myron Hawley Beach
S. Lockwood Brown
Clarence Augustus Burley
Otto C. Butz
Charles Edward Cheney
Nathan Smith Davis, Jr.
Turlington Walker Harvey
William G. Jerrems, Jr.
Samuel Rountree Jewett
Annie W. L. Kerfoot
James Henry Roberts
William Vocke
Mr. Elias Marvin Watkins

HONORARY MEMBER. FERNANDO JONES

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS. EDWARD DALE APPLETON William Beer THOMAS BUCKLEY IOHN CHRYSOSTOM BURKE DAVID IVES BUSHNELL CHARLES BISHOP CAMPBELL PIERRE CHOUTEAU DAVID McCulloch William H. Gale HERMAN HENRY KOHLSAAT W. I. McGee WILLIAM C. MILLS Walter Hines Page WM. P. W. PHILLIMORE VALENTINE SMITH EDWIN SAWYER WALKER

During the same time seven annual members have resigned, and death has taken from us one honorary life member, six life members, eight annual members and four corresponding members.

During this year also there have been reported the death of one honorary life member, two honorary and fifteen corresponding members that had occurred prior to

the last Annual Report.

The following is a summary of the present membership by classes:

y Classes.	
Honorary life members 4	
Life members	,
Annual members171	
Associate members 1	
Honorary members 12	
Corresponding members 75)
Total289	1

The constantly and rapidly growing list of those who have passed from among us has been increased during the year by the addition of eighteen new names, including that of the Society's late President, whose zealous labors in its behalf had accomplished much for its welfare, and whose death is sincerely mourned.

JOHN NELSON JEWETT, late president of the Society, annual member from 1869 to 1879, and from 1896 to the time of his death, died of heart failure January 14, 1904, at his residence, 412 Dearborn Avenue. Born in Palmyra, Maine, in 1827, Mr. Jewett lived 76 years. 1845 he came with his father's family to Wisconsin. He entered Bowdoin College a year later and graduated in 1850. He was admitted to the bar in Wisconsin, 1853. practiced three years in Galena and settled permanently in Chicago in 1856. He first entered the office of Judge Van H. Higgins, but the next year became a member of the firm of Scates, McAllister, Jewett & Peabody. After this firm was dissolved in 1867, he practiced alone for twenty years, when his two sons became associated with him. In the early '70s he became the Attorney-in-Chief of the Illinois Central Railroad Co., which position he held for several years. In 1881 he became the General Attorney for the Chicago Gas Light & Coke Co., and as such took part in many of the leading cases growing out of the consolidation of the gas companies. Space does not permit the enumeration of the many important cases in which he was engaged. In 1870 he was elected State Senator and served two years, but with this exception he could never be induced to accept office of any sort, either political or judicial, though urged by his friends again and again to do so. It is well known that he might have been a Justice of the Federal Supreme Bench but he refused to accept the appointment. Although the

eighth President of the Society, he might well be called its second founder, for in the words of the memorial resolutions adopted by the Executive Committee: "He found the Society dormant, its finances disturbed, and its records in chaos; he left its work systematized and in active progress, its trust funds intact and productive. The disaster that threatened at the beginning of his presidency has yielded to his mastery, and solvency and prosperity have been established in its stead."

It is a pleasure to add the fact that since Mr. Jewett's death his widow has become a life member, and his only surviving son an annual member of the

Society.

Augustus Harris Burley, associate member from 1858 to 1869, and annual member since 1869, died at his home, 254 Dearborn Avenue, November 27, 1903, at the age of 84 years. Mr. Burley was born at Exeter, N. H., and came to Chicago in 1837, at the age of 13 years. He began business with his half-brother, Stephen F. Gale, dealer in books and stationery, in which firm he soon became a partner, but in 1857 he sold his interests and became one of the founders of the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company, of which he was a director from its organization until his death, an unbroken service of 46 years. He was the organizer of the first company for rescuing and preserving property at fires from which has grown the present Insurance Patrol. When the Civil War began Mr. Burley was made president of the first Citizen's Committee and as president of the County Board secured the payment of \$30,000 by the County in aid of military recruits. He was a member of the Board of Public Works from 1867 to 1879, was the first Superintendent of Lincoln Park in 1869, and was a member of the legislature from 1870 to 1872. He was City Comptroller under Mayor Medill 1872 to 1874, and again under Mayor Heath 1876 to 1878. His financial ability and well known conservatism and integrity caused him to be often chosen by the courts to settle estates. He contributed \$250 towards the Society's Building erected in 1868, was treasurer in 1880 and Trustee of the Gilpin Fund for 23 years, until the time of his death. Mr. Burley was deeply interested in the affairs of the Society and will be greatly missed by its officers and members. His son has during the year become an annual

member of the Society, and has been appointed his successor as a Trustee of the Gilpin Fund.

ELIAS TAYLOR WATKINS, annual member from 1869 to 1895, and life member since 1895, died at his home, Rush and Huron Streets, December 16, 1903, from the result of a fall. MR. WATKINS was born at Milton-on-the-Hudson, 1816, and was 87 years old at the time of his death. He came to Chicago in 1848, and was identified with many of the enterprises, both private and public, by which the city has been developed. He was a director of the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company from its organization till his death; was associated with Volentine C. Turner in the North Chicago City Railway Company in 1859; was the organizer of the Chicago Gas Light & Coke Company and its president till the formation of the present gas company. In 1888 he was made president of the Chicago Edison Company. Mr. WATKINS was deeply interested in the work of the Society, served on the Executive Committee from 1874 to 1879, contributed \$500 toward the building erected in 1868, and \$100 toward the one erected in 1877, and in his last will and testament bequeathed to the Society the sum of \$5,000, prescribing with characteristic generosity that the inheritance tax should be paid out of his estate.

HIRAM WILLIAMS BECKWITH, corresponding member since 1879, died of Bright's disease at St. Luke's Hospital in this city, December 22, 1903. Mr. Beckwith was 72 years old and had been prominent as a lawyer for more than half a century. From 1856 to 1861 he was a partner of Abraham Lincoln. Few men were so well and favorably known among the old lawyers of the State. He was president of the board of trustees of the State Historical Library at Springfield, and vice-president of the State Historical Society. For a year before his death he had been working as editor of a concise historical record of the State provided for by the last session of the legislature. The first volume had been published and the second volume was ready for the press at the time of his death.

RUFUS BLANCHARD, annual member, 1877-8, and corresponding membersince 1888, died suddenly at his home in Wheaton, Ill., January 3, 1904. Mr. Blanchard was born in Lyndeboro, N. H., 1821, and was consequently 82 years old. Mr. Blanchard began business as a map-

maker in New York, in partnership with Charles Morse, a brother of the inventor of the telegraph. In 1850 MR. Blanchard came to Chicago and engaged in the business of map-making. He was the first man here to make mounted and colored maps, and early gained a reputation as an expert map-maker which ere long became worldwide. While map-making was the business of MR. Blanchard, he was no less known as a historian. His chief works were "The Political History of the United States," "The History of Illinois," "Romance of Abraham Lincoln," "Discovery and Conquests of the Northwest, with the History of Chicago." MR. Blanchard was a valuable friend of the Society and gave to its collections copies of his books and maps, and many other valuable articles.

CHRISTOPH HOTZ, annual member since 1900, died at his home, 537 North State Street, January 12, 1904, of heart failure. Mr. Hotz was born in Wertheim-on-the-Main, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, January 25, 1842, and was almost 62 years old at the time of his death. While a mere boy MR. Hotz decided to become a civil engineer and entered the engineering college of Karlsruhe, from which he graduated. There he met Peter Schuttler, and later became his partner in business and afterward married his sister. After graduation Mr. Hotz was employed for a time by Sulzer Brothers, manufacturers of steam engines, Winterthur, Switzerland, but in 1866, at the urgent request of Peter Schuttler then in Chicago, he came to this City and became a member of the firm of Schuttler & Hotz, wagon makers, which became one of the largest of the kind in the west. Mr. HOTZ was identified with various political and public institutions. He was appointed by Mayor Swift a member of the first Civil Service Commission; in 1899 he was elected a trustee of the Sanitary District on the citizen's ticket; he was a director of the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank and of Lewis Institute. He was a member of the Commercial Club and of the Germania Maennerchor.

George Marquis Bogue, life member since 1870, died at his home in Hinsdale, Ill., December 30, 1903. Mr. Bogue was born at Norfolk, N. Y., January 21, 1841, came to Chicago in 1855, and had been identified with the real estate business since 1867. He was prom-

inent in the Republican party and was a member of the National Convention in 1876. He was appointed by Governor Cullom Railroad and Warehouse Commissioner, and in 1883 was elected arbitrator of the Western Railway pool. Resigning this in 1887 he has since devoted his attention to his extensive real estate interests.

Frederick Hampden Winston, annual member 1873-83, and life member since 1893, died at Magnolia Springs, Florida, Feb. 19, 1904, at the age of 73 years. MR. WINSTON was born in Liberty Co., Georgia, November 20, 1830. He studied law in the office of U. S. Senator William C. Dawson, and later took a course in Harvard University, where he graduated in 1852. He came to Chicago in 1853 and formed a partnership with Norman B. Judd. As a lawyer MR. WINSTON stood high. He was fifteen years general solicitor for the Pittsburg. Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad Company. He was sixteen years a member and several terms President of the Board of Lincoln Park Commissioners, and in his successive administrations the park was greatly enlarged and beautified. In 1886 he was appointed by President Cleveland Minister to Persia, and remained two years abroad in that capacity. Ten years ago he retired from active practice of law, but retained his large real estate interests. Mr. Winston has been long interested in the work of the Society, and gave \$1,000 toward the erection of the Society's present home.

Jesse Spalding, life member since 1867, died at his residence, 1709 Prairie Avenue, March 17, 1904. Mr. Spalding was born at Bradford, Pa., April 15, 1837. His early life was spent on a farm. He came west in 1860, and established a lumber business in Chicago. His first large contract here was the building of Camp Douglas. He was one of the leaders in rebuilding Chicago after the fire. In 1883 he was appointed Collector of the Port of Chicago, and in 1899 Commissioner for the Union Pacific Railroad. In 1899 he was President of the Union Traction Co. He was a prominent member of the Union League, Washington Park and Chicago Clubs, and a faithful friend of this Society.

Frances Skinner Willing, annual member since 1894, died in Pasadena, California, May 10, 1904. Mrs. Willing had been an invalid for many years, yet her death came as a surprise to her friends, for it was thought that the coast climate had benefited her. Mrs. Willing was known for her many charitable deeds, and in every work that tended toward the betterment of society. She will be greatly missed by those interested in such work in Chicago. Mrs. Willing was a daughter of the late Mark Skinner, and the widow of Henry J. Willing, both of whom had been Honorary Life members of this Society and its generous benefactors. She emulated their example by contributing \$1,000 toward the erection of the Society's present home, and she was deeply interested in the Society's work.

GEORGE S. KNAPP, corresponding member since 1886, died of typhoid fever May 11, 1904, at the home of Mr. J. P. Wiggen, 39th Street and Langley Avenue. Mr. KNAPP was 64 years old, and had spent much of his life in collecting historical relics. Recently he gave his entire collection to the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan, where a building had been erected for their installment and exhibition.

GEORGE LINCOLN DUNLAP, life member since 1869, died in Paris, France, May 12, 1904. Mr. Dunlap was born in Brunswick, Maine, 1828, and at the age of 20 years he entered the employ of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company. In 1851 he transferred to the New York and Erie Railroad, and six years later to the Chicago and North Western, of which system he eventually became president. Mr. Dunlap was well known in Chicago, and almost as well known in Paris. He was for many years a vestryman of St. James Episcopal Church, and contributed liberally to the Old People's Home. He early became interested in the work of this Society. He served on the Executive Committee from 1876 to 1895; contributed \$100 toward the building erected in 1868, and \$250 toward the one erected in 1877.

RALPH NELSON ISHAM, annual member since 1879, died of cancer of the stomach, May 28, 1904, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. L. Farwell, of Lake Forest, Ill. Dr. Isham was born at Mannheim, N. Y., March 16, 1831. He graduated in medicine at Bellevue Hospital Medical College in 1854, and after spending a year as house physician came to Chicago in 1855. In 1859 he joined with others in the organization, of what is now the Medical Department of the Northwestern University and

accepted the chair of Surgical Anatomy in the institution. During the Civil War he served as a member of the Sanitary Commission, and was in charge of the Marine Hospital at Chicago. He twice went south with supplies and doctors, and on the first occasion he was in the battle of Shiloh.

LEVI ZEIGLER LEITER, life member from 1864 to 1883, honorary life member since 1883, and a member of the Executive Committee since 1871, died of heart failure at his summer home at Bar Harbor, Me., June 9, 1904. Mr. LEITER was born at Leitersburg, Maryland, 1834, of wealthy parents, and came to Chicago at the age of twenty. He entered the employ of Downs & Van Wyck, and two years later changed to that of Cooley, Wadsworth & Co., of which firm he soon became a member. In 1865 he and Mr. Marshall Field bought a controlling interest in the dry goods business of Potter Palmer, and the firm soon became Field, Leiter & Co. In 1881 he retired from the firm. MR. LEITER made the greater part of his large fortune in Chicago real estate, in which he invested heavily while engaged in the dry goods business. But he did not sit down to wait. He was part of almost every large business venture, as he was of every movement to improve the city. He was the first president of the Commercial Club, a well known member of the Union League, Washington Park and Iroquois Clubs, once president of the Art Institute, and one of the men who made possible its present home; forty years a member of this Society and thirty-three years a member of the Executive Committee: contributed the entire expense of publishing Volumes 1, 2 and 3 of the Society's collections; gave \$250 toward the building erected in 1877; \$2,500 toward canceling the Society's debt, and \$6,000 toward the present building. Few men have taken a greater interest in the Society, been more valued as members or given so liberally of their time and means to its work. In commemoration of Mr. Leiter's many benefactions the Executive Committee adopted and ordered spread upon the Society's records memorial resolutions of gratitude and of sorrow for his death.

NATHAN SMITH DAVIS, one of the three surviving incorporators, and an annual member from 1856 to 1860, and from 1890 to the time of his death, died at his home, 291 Huron Street, June 16, 1904, aged 88 years. Dr. Davis was born in Chenango County, New York, January

9, 1817, and graduated in medicine at the age of twenty years. Within ten years he had won great prominence by his technical papers and pamphlets. In 1846 he began the work of forming a national medical association, in which he was successful and was twice honored by it with the office of president. In 1849 Dr. Davis came to Chicago, when the city was still under the influence of the cholera plague of 1848. He gave his attention immediately to public sanitation and advocated a sewerage system and a supply of pure water. With his own means he established in a small way what is now Mercy Hospital; he organized the medical society of the City and of the State; held many professorships in Rush and the Chicago Medical College, and was editor of numerous technical journals. He achieved an international reputation, and perhaps no one has done so much as he to raise the standard of medical learning in the West.

George Hinman Laflin, annual member since 1897, died at his summer home at Pittsfield, Mass., July 20, 1904, of heart failure. Mr. Laflin was born in Canton, Conn., January 9, 1828, and came to Chicago in 1837 with his father Matthew Laflin, one of the pioneer real estate men of Chicago. He had seen Chicago grow from a village of a few hundred to a city of two millions population. Perhaps no man in Chicago had a more extensive and accurate knowledge of the change of real estate values in the city than he had. Mr. Laflin presented to the Society a bronze medallion portrait of his father, and his heirs, following in his footsteps, have honored the Society by tendering to it a life size marble bust of Mr. Laflin, by Leonard W. Volk.

OSCAR W. COLLET, corresponding member from 1890 to the time of his death, died in St. John's Hospital, St. Louis, Mo., July 23, 1904. Mr. Collet was born in Edwardsville, Illinois, August 4, 1821. His education was received in St. Louis University. That he distinguished himself as a student is shown by the fact that he was chosen to deliver the address of welcome when Daniel Webster visited the University. Shortly after leaving college he visited Europe and was presented to Pope Gregory by Bishop Van de Velde of Chicago. It is impossible to say when Mr. Collet's fondness for historic studies began. He wrote for almost every historical magazine published in America, and corresponded with

almost every writer of history, giving unstintingly of his knowledge. He was at one time assistant editor of the Magazine of American History, but his best work was done in connection with the Missouri Historical Society. of which he was one of the originators, and for some time nearly its whole vitality. He was its Secretary and Custodian for more than twenty years, devoting his whole time to its furtherance. He bequeathed his unpublished works to the St. Louis University. One of these is a complete index of the marriages, births and deaths, arranged alphabetically, from the registers of the Cathedral and Carondelet, from 1768 to 1838. Another is a Study of LaSalle, which the University proposes to publish soon. His last work was the splendid exhibit which the Missouri Historical Society sent to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. In his writings MR. COLLET's eighty years enabled him to speak as a contemporary chronicler quite as much as an investigator.

JOHN McGregor Adams, annual member from 1879 to 1894, and life member since 1894, died at his home in Highland Park, September 17, 1904, after a protracted illness, at the age of 72 years. He was a native of Maine whence he enlisted for the Civil War. At the close of the war he came to Chicago and entered the employ of Jessup, Kennedy & Co. In 1867 he associated himself with the late JOHN CRERAR, one of this Society's most liberal friends and benefactors, in forming the firm of Crerar, Adams & Co., whose surviving partners retain the firm name although both of the founders are dead. In 1869 MR. ADAMS established the Adams & Westlake Co., and was its president until the time of his death. In many ways Mr. Adams aided in the development of Chicago. At one time he was president of over thirty different organizations, most of which were of a philanthropic character.

JOHN BALDERSTON KIRK, annual member since 1894, died of pneumonia in New York, November 1, 1904. MR. KIRK was born in Utica, New York, November 6, 1842. He had planned to enter medical college when his father decided to settle in Chicago. That he might understand his father's business he took a thorough course in chemistry. After a short apprenticeship he was made partner in the firm of James S. Kirk & Co. His financial ability received recognition when in 1880 he was elected Vice-President of the American Exchange National Bank of

Chicago, and in 1890 President of the same institution. He had served for many years on the Board of Trustees of the Northwestern University, in which institution he established the "Kirk Prize" for the encouragement of oratory. He was best known for his unostentatious charities. He was a member of the Union League, Union, Chicago and other clubs.

DONATIONS.

The Executive Committee is glad to report that a constantly widening circle of friends continue to contribute liberally to the Society's collections. The total number of gifts during the year exceeds 2,500. In the appended List of Donors (Pages 246-256) will be found an alphabetical list of persons and institutions who have generously remembered the Society, and a tabulated statement of articles given. The following list deserve special mention:

ELIAS T. WATKINS, whose death is mentioned in another part of this report, bequeathed to the Society the sum of \$5,000.

MRS. JOHN N. JEWETT presented to the Society two excellent portraits of our late president JOHN N. JEWETT, one being in oil, by Henry M. Colcord, and the other a fine steel engraving.

From the heirs of the late Walter Smith Gurnee, whose death was mentioned in the last annual report, were received portraits in oil of Mr. and Mrs. Gurnee, by G. P. A. Healey.

MRS. ELLEN HAMILTON KEENON presented to the Society the portrait in oil, of her father, the late Col. Richard J. Hamilton.

By bequest of Mrs. Harriet G. McVicker, the Society received a crayon portrait of her husband, the late James H. McVicker.

From Mrs. L. J. Lee was received a large portrait in oil, of her deceased father, Hon. John Jones.

MR. ELIAS M. WATKINS presented to the Society a steel engraving of his uncle, the late Elias T. Watkins.

MRS. T. MAURO GARRETT presented a framed photograph of her husband, the late T. MAURO GARRETT, a benefactor of the Society.

A large framed engraving by Sartain, entitled "Men of Progress American Inventors," was given to the Society by Mrs. Cyrus Hall McCormick.

MR. STEPHEN F. GALE, through MR. CLARENCE A. BURLEY, presented to the Society a war club given to Mr. Gale by Half-Day or "Aptakesic," Chicago, August, 1835.

Mr. William H. Gale gave to the Society's collections, ten paintings of early Chicago scenes, "The Ivy Green Series."

A photographic copy of the Louisiana Purchase Treaty between France and the United States, was presented to Miss C. M. McIlvaine, Librarian, for the Society, by Mr. Pierre Chouteau of St. Louis, Mo.

REV. P. BERKENBROCK of Cahokia, Ill., presented to the Society's collection, a large photograph of the Church of the Holy Family, in Cahokia, one of the oldest church buildings in Illinois.

MISS CAROLINE M. McIlvaine presented the iron cross from the Church of the Holy Family, Cahokia, Ill.

A hand loom of the Pueblo Indians and a model of an old log tavern, were given by Mr. William Walls.

MR. CLARENCE A. BURLEY presented a picture of the disaster occasioned by the flood in the Chicago River, March 12, 1849; 23 stereoscopic views of ruins of the Chicago Fire; a framed photograph of Gen. Grant and Staff; a medal made at the Interstate Industrial Exposition of Chicago, October, 1873, and a memorial of the Great Fire; all found among the effects of his father, the late Augustus H. Burley.

Fire-trumpet and helmet made from the metal of the Court House bell, destroyed in the fire of October, 1871, given by MR DUDLEY WILKINSON.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, through Chief William H. Musham and Mr. Thomas Buckley, presented to the Society's collections the following articles: photographic portrait of Chief U. P.

Harris: Resolutions upon the retirement of Chief U. P. Harris, elaborately framed and decorated with gilded models of early types of fire engines, hosecarts, hooks, ladders, hydrants, etc., and enclosed in metal bound glass case; photographic portrait of Chief Robert A. Williams, 1871; photographic portrait of Chief Dennis J. Sweeney and Staff, 1880; photographic portrait of Chicago Fire Department (18 officers) 1891; photographic view of fire ruins, 1871—looking north from Michigan Avenue and Congress Street; diploma presented to Chicago Fire Department at the First National Firemen's Tournament at Dexter Park, Chicago, September 3-7, 1878; oil painting (3½x4 ft.) of "Cook Fire," 1857, Lake and South Water Streets, east of State Street; memorial $(2\frac{1}{2}x3\frac{1}{2}$ ft.) of Carter H. Harrison, Mayor (1893); fireman's shirt, handsomery framed under glass, formerly worn by the late George H. Laflin, as a member of Red Jacket Volunteer Engine Company No. 4; large framed view (4½x9 ft.) of fire ruins, with photographic portraits of the entire City Fire Department (372 portraits) in 1876.

THE HON. JAMES R. MANN, member of Congress, presented to the Society a framed copy of the Act of Congress declaring the tunnels under the Chicago River obstructions to navigation, and the pen with which PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT signed the same.

MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR. presented to the Society an etching of the Hon. David Davis, of Illinois; side arm worn by "Columbian Guards" of the World's Columbian Exposition; a collection of colonial currency, 31 campaign badges, buttons, etc., and tickets to the Republican National Convention, June 21, 1904, also a collection of Lincoln medals and 24 plates of World's Fair scenes to accompany "The Book of the Builders."

From Mr. Franklin H. Head the Society received 108 photographic plates of the United States Geological Exploration along the Fortieth Parallel.

Mr. Thomas A. O'Shaughnessy presented to the Society a water color picture of the old church at Cahokia, Illinois.

A large ambrotype view of the S. E. Corner of Clark and Monroe Streets, taken in 1858, was received from Mr. Thomas Buckley, Secretary of the Volunteer Firemen's Organization, of Engine Company No. 10, and of Chicago Fire Department.

MRS. CAROLINE BLOODGOOD BIXBY gave crayon portraits of Captain William Whistler and his wife Julia Whistler.

From Mr. C. W. Mann was received a photographic reproduction of an old portrait of Marquette.

From Mr. George J. Brine the Society received a large steel engraving of the late Philip D. Armour.

Eleven paste board tickets reading "Good for one load, Grant & Perkins." These tickets were used in making delivery of fire wood by the firm of which U. S. Grant was the senior member. Having come out of the Mexican War penniless, Grant settled down on his farm—"Hardscrabble"—near St. Louis, with the avowed intention of becoming "a steady-going farmer." To this end, in slouch hat and blue overalls he hauled wood ten miles to St. Louis and sold it for four dollars a cord. The gift of Mr. F. E. Tyler.

MR. HENRY C. BARNARD presented to the Society a unique gift—the first piece of irredeemable paper money issued by the United States Government, under the Act of February 25, 1862—a Five Dollar "Greenback," marked "No. 1," "A" and dated March 10, 1862; also a brass Anti-Jackson medal used in the presidential campaign of 1832, representing Jackson as standing in a money chest, holding a bag of gold in his left hand, a drawn sword in his right; and bearing the motto, "I take the responsibility."

Mr. A. G. WIPPERMAN added to the Society's collections a lantern slide view of the Chicago Court House, taken in 1865, when the remains of President Lincoln lay in state.

From Mrs. Harriet Hayden Hayes was received a photograph of the late Carl Dilg.

From the heirs of the late JAMES C. SIMM, the Society received a photograph of MR. SIMM and a portion of MR. SIMM's account book, a relic of the great fire.

Through the kindness of E. E. Sparks, professor of history, The University of Chicago, and E. G. Cooley,

Superintendent Chicago Public Schools, the Society received a set of fifty lantern slide views of local historical scenes prepared under the auspices of the Centennial Committee, 1903.

In the Report of the Librarian special recognition is made of many notable gifts of books, maps, manuscripts, and other library material.

By purchase, the Society has added to its collections, among other objects, a large etching of Hon. Sidney Breese, an engraving of Marshall's portrait of Abraham Lincoln, and a lithograph of the amphitheatre in which was held the Democratic National Convention of 1864, in Chicago.

PUBLICATIONS.

Since the last annual meeting there have been published and distributed to members of the Society and to institutions corresponding with the Society, the following pamphlets:

"Year Book of the Society, 1903-4," with report of the annual meeting, November 17, 1903.

"In Memoriam, John Nelson Jewett," the proceedings of the memorial meeting held February 29, and memorial adopted by the Executive Committee, March 1, 1904.

"Attitude of the Chicago Common Council toward the Fugitive Slave Law," a paper read before this Society, January 29, 1903, by Charles W. Mann, of Lewis Institute.

"Early Days of Peoria and Chicago," an address read by Hon. David McCulloch of Peoria, Ill., before this Society, January 19, 1904.

"The Disputed Boundary between Illinois and Wisconsin," read before the Society by Mr. William Radebaugh of the Chicago Normal School, May 19, 1904, has been ordered printed and will be published soon.

Respectfully submitted,
For The Executive Committee,

JAMES W. FERTIG,

Secretary.

GENERAL NEWBERRY moved that the report of the Executive Committee, as presented and read by the Secretary, be accepted, approved and placed on file. On being seconded by MR. QUAN, the motion was put and carried.

The Librarian then read her annual report, as follows:

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Executive Committee of the Chicago Historical Society:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit my report as Librarian of the Chicago Historical Society for the year ending November 15, 1904.

The number of visitors to the library and collections, exclusive of attendance at special functions, such as re-

ceptions, lectures, etc., is as follows:

	REA: Men	DERS Wome	n Men V	s Vomen	TOTALS
1st quarter,	41	7	223	90	361
2d quarter,	73	12	206	103	394
3d quarter,	119	19	232	129	499
4th quarter,	116	26	170	111	423
	349	64	831	433	1677
Total Re	adere	413	Total Vicitors	1 264	

Readers, 413. Total Visitors, 1,264.

Applications filed for books record 1,640 volumes specifically called for, as against 903 volumes last year—a gain of 90 per cent. A classification of the applications for books shows the relative demand for the different classes of works to be as follows.

Chicago history and geography.

"Old Northwest" and Mississippi Valley. Illinois history, geography and legislation.

Chicago and Illinois newspapers.

General history.

Biography.

Indians.

It will be noticed by comparing these statistics with those of last year, that while there is a slight increase in the number of readers, the number of visitors to the building is considerably less, being 1,264 this year as

against 2,133 last. This is due in large measure to the fact that last year the revival of interest in local historical matters, awakened by the Fort Dearborn Centennial Celebration, caused the principals of schools to send here large classes of children, in charge of teachers, to view the historical paintings and relics. It is to be regretted that this interest has not been longer sustained, as there have been many expressions of satisfaction with the results of these visits on the part of teachers and parents, but it is supposed that the crowded curriculum is responsible for the suspension of the work. It is the intention of your Librarian to take this matter up with some of the principals in the coming year, for before many years the children in the schools today will be our business men, educators, and the supporters of our institutions.

The use of the library by university students was particularly noticeable during the summer vacation, when frequently representatives of several institutions of learning in Illinois and the surrounding states were using the library at one time. The assembling of material for many theses has been a very interesting part of the year's work. However, it is quite evident from the comparatively small general use made of the library that its riches are only beginning to be known to the great majority of the reading public, and it is a matter of every day experience that despite frequent newspaper announcements to the contrary the impression is still quite general that this library is private, or only open to the public on two days in the week, and that its field is confined to Chicago. This condition is by no means peculiar to this institution, for it is frequently the experience of reference libraries, and is merely a problem to be solved. At the recent Conference of Librarians at St. Louis the matter of publicity was made the subject of one of its most profitable discussions. In a paper entitled "Library Extension", read by L. Stanley Jast, special delegate of the Library Association of Great Britain and Ireland to the meeting of the American Library Association, Mr. Jast advocated as the best means of increasing the use of the library, the holding of meetings in the day time, to which the public could be invited, and where informal talks might be given by librarians and specialists on matters of general or local interest, and information given as to the scope and particular field of the library in question, and in the use of the various reference works, bibliographies, etc., These lectures are advertised by means of invitations to patrons of the library, and by posters in schools, women's clubs, etc., the object being, not to induce persons to read who do not care to, but to inform the community of students what are the particular fields covered by different libraries, so that, as it is said sometimes happens, a man desiring a history of Chicago will not make the mistake of applying at the John Crerar Library, nor one desiring an engineering journal at the Chicago Historical Society. This method has been very successfully used in the library of which Mr. Jast is the head, and it received the indorsement of the Association.

The signatures of numerous interesting and distinguished visitors have been recorded in our Visitor's Reg-

ister during the year, among them:

Henry C. Flower, Kansas City, Mo., grandson of George Flower.

Commander R. E. Peary, Arctic Explorer.

Major A. S. H. Gibbons, Roy. Geog. Soc., London. T. Nasa, Japan.

Dr. Pattenhausen, Dresden.

David T. Day, U. S. Geological Survey.

Loïcq de Lobel, Paris. Albrecht Penck, Vienna.

Dr. Guido Biagi, Librarian of the Bibliotheca-Laurenziana at Florence, the oldest library in the world, still existing, delegate to the Meeting of the American Library Association.

Dr. Aksel Andersson, Vice-Librarian of the Royal University Library, Upsala, delegate to the Meet-

ing of American Library Association.

Emile Terquem, Paris. Henry J. Brown, London.

The accessions to the Gilpin Library by gift and purchase since Nov. 17, 1903, are as follow:

Volumes	PURCHASES 404 66 1 31	1381 818 209 92 41
2039	502	2541

Of the above there have been entered in the Accession record 1,560 volumes and pamphlets. The amount

expended in the purchase of books, maps, etc. aggregates \$1,226.50. Probably the most important purchase during the year was from the Hiram W. Beckwith collection which contained some excessively rare volumes and maps on the Central West, particularly Illinois. A detailed list of some of the more important accessions from all sources will be found at the end of this report.

The cataloguing of the library has progressed steadily throughout the year with the exception of the month of September when the cataloguer was given a month's vacation. There have been catalogued 2,023 volumes for which 5,179 cards have been type-written and filed. The total number of cards in the new catalogue at date is 12,155. Special catalogues have been made of the following subjects:

Atlases Genealogy Autographs Illinois atlases

Bibliography
Civil War
Coats-of-arms

Illinois county histories
Illinois legislative documents
Illinois regimental histories

Directories Manuscripts

Gazetteers Maps (1560 cards)

Printers and Printing.

The Index of Portraits having been completed last year for all books in the library at that time, there have been added only a few hundred entries from late accessions.

The accumulated correspondence of the Society for the period from 1896 to date has been systematically arranged in books and completely indexed, the indices being type-written and inserted at the backs of their respective volumes. This work has been done by the Page under the supervision of the Librarian. It may be said here that the Page having taken up the study of stenography and type-writing, and being now able to prepare indices and lists for the library, is fitted for advancement to the position of Assistant Clerk, with some increase of salary.

During the summer the greater portion of the collection of Illinois county histories was rebound uniformally and very substantially, in dark red Persian morocco with especially heavy hinged backs, so that these volumes will now withstand many years of the constant handling to which this very useful class of books is subjected.

Three special exhibitions were made during the year

as follow: February 12th, a collection of Lincolniana was shown consisting of manuscripts, daguerreotypes, portraits, photographs, campaign badges, and many articles associated with the life and death of the beloved President. The exceedingly interesting manuscripts loaned by Mr. C. F. Gunther, recalled the various periods of Lincoln's political life in Illinois as postmaster in 1835, justice of the peace, attorney, and President of the United States.

March 25, when the Northern Illinois Teachers' Association held a meeting in the Society's Building, an exhibit was made in the Manuscript-Room of manuscripts and printed documents relating to the territorial history of Illinois, 1787-1808.

On Saturday afternoon, May 21, a reception was held in the Reading-Room, at which time the contribution of this Society to the History Section of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition was displayed. This exhibit, which was prepared by a special committee, of which MR. S. H. KERFOOT, IR. was chairman, consisted of fifteen large photo-facsimilies in sepia tones of paintings, manuscripts and documents, five original manuscripts, and twenty-six views of the exterior and interior of the Society's Building, the whole designed to illustrate the exploration of the Mississippi Valley, and the actual transfer of the Louisiana Purchase. The entire collection was mounted on ivory tinted cards of uniform size (16x20 inches), impressed with the seal of the Society in sepia ink, with the subject of each picture handsomely engrossed below. A separate room in the Anthropology Building at the Exposition was assigned to this exhibit, and during last month notice was received from Dr. W. I. McGee, Chief of the Department of Anthropology, that the Society has been awarded the gold medal for merit by the Superior Jury of Awards. The awarding of this medal came as a surprise, for this Society was the only one exhibiting, which sent fac-similies instead of original documents and portraits, it being deemed inconsistent with its policy to risk the archives entrusted to its care, in a building less secure against fire than its own. The exhibit will be returned at the close of the Fair when it will be displayed in the Reading-Room. The following is a list of the above objects as printed in the Catalogue of the Division of Anthropology.

CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

LOCATION: Anthropology Building, Room 201.

CASE 1.

1. Marquette, (Photograph of the reputed por-

trait discovered in Montreal in 1897).

Thevenot's Recueil de Voyages, printed at Paris, 1681, in which Marquette's Narrative appeared for the first time. This copy contains document on parchment signed by Thevenot. (Photographs of title-page and two pages.)

- 2. Document signed by Joliet, 1695. (Photograph exact size of original.)
 - 3. LaSalle. (Photograph of oil portrait.)
- 4. Autograph letter of Robert de LaSalle, dated at "Checagou," September 1, 1683, page 1. (Photograph 3½ times actual size.)
 - 5. Same, page 3; signed De LaSalle.

CASE 2.

- 6. Document signed by Henry de Tonty, 1684. (Photograph exact size.)
- 7. George Rogers Clark. (Photograph of oil portrait.)
- 8. Document signed by George Rogers Clark, 1808. (Photograph exact size.)
- 9. William Clark's appointment as Agent of Indian Affairs in the Territory of Louisiana, signed by Henry Dearborn, 1807. (Photograph exact size.)
 - 10. Ninian Edwards. (Photograph of oil portrait.)

CASE 3.

11. Letter of William Clark, when Governor of Missouri Territory, to Governor Edwards, dated St. Louis

- 21st May, 1817, relative to Indian Affairs. (Original manuscript.)
 - 12. Meriwether Lewis. (Photograph of silhouette.)
- 13. Pierre Menard's commission as Captain of Militia, signed by Meriwether Lewis, as Governor of Louisiana Territory, 1809. (Photograph exact size.)
 - 14. Pierre Menard. (Photograph of oil portrait.)
- 15. Letter of James Wilkinson to Don J. Ventura Morales, Spanish Intendant of Louisiana, dated Fort Adams, April 20, 1803, asking permission to forward army supplies to Mobile, being just ten days before the signing of the treaty of cession by France to the United States. (Original manuscript.)

CASE 4.

- 16. Letter from Gen. Henry Dearborn to James Wilkinson, dated War Department, October 5, 1803, warning Gen. Wilkinson "that Spain has discovered some disposition to oppose our taking possession of Louisiana" and directing them to take measures for the assurance of the peaceable transfer in conformity with the treaty with France. (Original manuscript.)
 - 17. Henry Dearborn. (Photograph of oil portrait.)
- 18. Letter from James Madison to Governor Claiborne and General Wilkinson, dated Department of State, February 6, 1804, congratulating them upon "the manner in which Louisiana has been put into the possession of the United States." (Original manuscript.)
- 19. Letter from W. C. C. Claiborne to General Wilkinson, dated 15th December, 1806, "inclosing a List of Strangers in the city." (Original manuscript.)

ON WALLS.

Twenty-six views of exterior and interior of Chicago

Historical Society Building, showing fire-proof construction, suitable for historical collections.

This library was officially represented by its Librarian in the Conference of the American Library Association, held at St. Louis, October 17th to 22nd. Many new ideas in library science were discussed and there were many opportunities for bringing this institution in touch with other historical libraries. In fact your Librarian had the honor of inaugurating a movement for the much needed Association of Librarians of Historical Societies as an auxiliary of the American Library Association. The visit to the Library of the Missouri Historical Society was most interesting as that library is to Missouri what this library is to Illinois, namely, a highly specialized collection of the materials for the history of the locality. A plan was there formed for co-operating in the compilation of a "List of Works on the Mississippi Valley in the Libraries of That Region," which the Missouri Society has already begun under the direction of Mr. Pierre Chouteau.

The last day of the week's leave of absence granted the Librarian by the Executive Committee, was spent in a pilgrimage to the oldest shrine still extant in Illinois, L'Eglisc de la Sainte Famille des Kaoquias. Here, canopied under gigantic elms and surrounded by ancient, crumbling gravestones, stands this most picturesque and curious little structure, a monument to the French régime

in the Mississippi Valley.

As there is a strong probability that this interesting building may soon be torn down, having been superseded as a place of worship by the fine stone structure recently erected, a description of its unique architecture may not be out of place here. It is built on the stockade plan, the walls being formed by large hand-hewn cedar logs, set on end in the ground to the depth of six feet and extending above ground perhaps eighteen feet. These timbers incline inward toward the eaves at quite a perceptible angle, so that the walls taper toward the top. The spaces between the logs, which are about the size of telegraph poles, and are set as closely together as they can stand, are filled with cement and broken rocks, thus forming an arrow-proof stockade. The interior is lathed with hand-split saplings, put on diagonally, thus effect-

ively binding the logs together. The exterior is now covered with modern weather-boarding which does not conceal the graceful lines of the original unique construction. A letter recently received from a Chicago gentleman, who passed through Cahokia by stage coach in 1837, says that the logs covered only with their original bark stood exposed at that time. In the belfry hangs a bell presented by the first Napoleon. The lines of the roof curve upward slightly as they approach the eaves, just suggesting pagoda architecture. In the transepts the original hewn timbers form the floor on which have walked the successive disciples of Loyola and of

the Seminary who have officiated here.

The early records of the Church having, it is supposed. been destroyed by the overflow of the Mississippi in 1844. there remains now, as far as known, no documentary evidence of the date of the building of this church. However, it may prove to be the oldest church now standing in the Mississippi Valley, and many things attest its early It is somewhat significant that the chapel at St. Ignace used by Father Marquette was also built of cedar posts in the stockade plan and was cruciform. Though the church's own records are destroyed we still have the journals of the Jesuit missionaries and from them the fact has been established that Father François Pinet. who founded the Guardian Angel Mission at Chicago in 1696, was also the founder of the Cahokia Mission, and this not later than 1700 as will appear from the following.

Father Jacques Gravier in the Journal of his "Voyage Down and Up the Mississippi," says, "I set out on the 8th of September, 1700 from [Chicagoue.] ... After having marched four days ... I went ahead with Father Marest whom I left sick at the Tamarouha, where Father Pinet discharges peaceably all the functions of missionary, and Mr. Bergier, who gets along very well with us, has charge only of the French, and this is a good relief for Father Pinet."* The Tamarouha village alluded to was named Cahokia from the neighboring tribe of that name. St. Cosme in the Journal of his voyage in 1699 states that his party, conducted from Chicago by "Mr. de Tonty," were rejoined at Peoria by this same Father Pinet,

^{*} Shea. Early Voyages Up and Down the Mississippi, 1861, p. 117 etc.

who was accustomed to spend his summers at the Chicago Mission, and, when the Indians there departed for the fall hunt, journeyed southward to labor through the winter

among his praying Indians at Cahokia.

In his "Catholic Missions" Shea states that "in 1704 Pinet died, having founded the Tamarouha [Cahokia] Mission and obtained such benediction of heaven by his zeal and labors that his *church* could not contain the crowds that flocked to it." Dr. J. F. Snyder, President of the Illinois State Historical Society, who was baptized in the old church seventy-three years ago, states in a recent letter to the writer, that in his time there was a tradition that the first church was erected on the same spot in 1712, but if we may believe Shea, Father Pinet had a building there in 1704, thus making this spot hal-

lowed ground for exactly two hundred years.

The old church is at present used as a school, but because the parish is too poor to buy other ground on which to erect a new school, the building of the greatest antiquity in Illinois is about to be torn down. Saddened at this prospect the writer looked about for some memento of this ancient landmark and discovered an old wrought-iron cross lying against one of the transepts in a pile of debris. Intimating to the kindly priest in charge, her desire for a souvenir, the cross, which is over five feet in height, was presented. This relic. fashioned into rude fleur-de-lis at the ends, bears evidence of age and hand-workmanship. It is in the same proportions as the wooden cross which now surmounts the belfry, but it is probable that it marked one of the early graves which cluster close about the transepts. any case it serves to recall an epoch all but vanished. when a gentle people held sway in this region whose missionary labors made possible the later trading posts. comparing the list of the present parishiners with a manuscript "List of the Heads of Families in Cahokia in 1783." several of the ancient names are found still to survive there. A few dollars expended on some minor repairs would preserve the modest little structure for another hundred years, and would give the school-children, students and artists of several generations opportunity to study the architecture and indeed the manners of a day when places of worship were at the same time fortifications not only against the Evil One but against the unfriendly Indian.

The sketch of the church by Mr. T. A. O'Shaughnessy, reproduced below, and a large photograph in the possession of the Society give a good idea of the general outlines of the building but convey nothing of the remarkable arrow-proof construction.



CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, CAHOKIA.

The following is a list of accessions to the library by gift and purchase, which deserve special mention:

MANUSCRIPTS.

Donations-

"Subscription List for the Chicago Historical Society Lot and Library Building . . . January 9, 1864." The following are some of the names in the list: W. L. New-W. B. Ogden, W. H. Brown, Wesley Munger, I. N. Arnold, H. H. Magie, M. D. Ogden, E. T. Watkins, John B. Turner, E. B. McCagg, D. J. Ely, Wm. Blair, J. Young Scammon, William Bross, S. C. Griggs, E. K. Rogers, Mark Skinner, S. M. Nickerson, J. H. Dunham, H. G. Loomis, Jos. T. Ryerson, A. H. Burley, Geo. Smith, C. H. McCormick, Thos. Hoyne, Lill & Diversey, John H. Foster, Edwin H. Sheldon, B. F. Culver, B. W. Raymond, Hugh T. Dickey. The sums subscribed range from \$250 to \$2,500. Later in this same book appears the following entry: "Paid; John Wentworth, for Life Member-

MANUSCRIPTS.

Donations—(Continued.)

ship, \$500." Autograph letter of Isaac N. Arnold to Edwin H. Sheldon, written on the letter-head of the 38th Congress of the United States, House of Representatives, but dated Chicago, Jan. 2, 1865. The letter relates to unpaid taxes on "Block 23, part of which was sold to Historical Society." The gifts of MR. EUGENE H. FISHBURN.

Original contract and subscription for Lake View House Omnibus Line, by which S. B. and M. O. Walker agreed "to run an omnibus between the Lake View House and Chicago twice a day (Sunday excepted) from this time to the first day of May, 1857, for the sum of \$369 besides fares, provided the proprietors of the Lake View House will board the driver and furnish stabling and hay for team, Chicago, Dec. 6, 1856." The body of the manuscript is in the hand of S. H. Kerfoot, following this are the signatures of subscribers, many of them then residents of Lake View: James H. Rees, Chas. V. Dyer, Timothy Wright, S. H. Kerfoot, D. R. Hundley, Samuel B. Chase, William Barry, Thomas Sims, V. H. Higgins, E. G. Hooke and E. Ward. "Land Patent," Brookville District, State of Indiana, granted to Laurens Miller, signed by James Monroe, President of the United States, and John McLean, Commissioner of General Land Office, 20th of March, 1823. "Record-Book of Board of the Lady Managers of the Nursery and Half-Orphan Asylum, Franklin and Wisconsin Streets, Chicago, May 5, 1868 to Sept. 26, 1871. On April 19, 1870, it is recorded that "Easter Sunday the Company of the North Side Horse-Railroad kindly gave the use of a car to take 40 of the children to St. James Sunday School Festival." Tickets of admission to Judge McConnell's Court Room granted to "S.H.Kerfoot and son" to hear argument of Luther Laflin Mills in the Cronin Case, with autograph letter from Mr. Mills, Dec. 1889. Autograph (signature) "Edward R. I." King Edward VII. Autograph (Signature) "Victoria R. I." Queen Victoria. Typewritten copies of the Wills of Elizabeth Hammond Stickney, Henry D. Gilpin, T. Mauro Garrett and Maria S. Scammon, all containing bequests to the Society. The gifts of Mr. S. H. KER-FOOT, JR.

MANUSCRIPTS.

Donations—(Continued.)

"Muster Roll of Captain John C. Phillips Company ('M'), 2d Regt. Illinois Light Artillery, 31st August to 31st Oct., 1862." This document contains the signatures of all the company, largely recruited in Chicago, the Captain's statement in regard to the engagement and surrender at Harper's Ferry Sept. 14th-15th, and the subsequent parole and arrival at Camp Douglas the 27th of the same month. The gift of Mr. George Merry-Weather.

"Personal Recollections of Half a Century Ago, by One of the Founders of the Chicago Historical Society," Samuel Dexter Ward, New York, 1904. Mr. Ward and Mr. Ezra B. McCagg are, since the death of Dr. N. S. Davis, the only surviving incorporators of the Society. Mr. Ward says, "I came to Chicago in 1850 via St. Louis, the Illinois River to LaSalle, thence by stage to St. Charles. The Galena and Chicago Union Railroad had recently been completed, and leaving St. Charles at 7:30 A. M. Chicago was reached at noon. Chicago at this time contained only about 25,000 inhabitants. There were no street lamps and it was necessary to take a lantern in going out evenings. The river was crossed by float bridges and a rope ferry at Rush Street." The gift of Mr. Samuel Ward.

Lease from Matthew Laflin to James C. Simm for No. 42 State Street, occupied by Mr. Simms as a candy store before the Chicago Fire; receipt for rent of same for the month of October, 1871; also two pages from the Cash Book of Mr. Simm, which was in the safe during the fire, and which was recovered Oct. 14th. Presented by Mr. Simm's heirs through Mr. Frank J. Simm.

Scrip for twenty-five cents, signed Thomas Church, dated Chicago, Aug. 21, 1837. The gift of Mr. Byron L. Smith.

Copy of "Pay Roll of the Chicago Fire Department for the month ending October 31, 1871." At this time R. A. Williams was Marshall, and John Shank, First Assistant. The pay-roll amounted to \$17,633.37. The gift of Mr. Thomas Buckley.

Donations—(Continued.)

Specifications for the building of a store for Wm. Wheeler, the first brick building on Lake Street west of Clark, 1841-2. "There are to be three twelve-lighted windows in front, the frames trimmed for shutters." Receipt for \$3.00 payment of subscription to the *Journal* for six months by Wm. Wheeler, given by C. L. Wilson, Oct. 25, 1850. Receipt signed by Gurdon S. Hubbard for \$34.97 in payment for two kegs of shot, bought by Wm. Wheeler, July 4, 1850. Letters of Administration appointing Wm. Wheeler administrator of the estate of Seth Sutherland, who died intestate, signed Mahlon D. Ogden, Probate Justice of the Peace, Chicago, Nov. 21, 1842. The gifts of Mr. C. Gilbert Wheeler.

Receipts for fees amounting to \$18.25, in the case of Stephen Griggs against Alexander Garrett, Sangamon County Court, Feb. 26, 1846, signed by John Calhoun—unsuccessful candidate for governor of Illinois that year, and who afterwards became famous in Kansas for his connection with the "Lecompton Constitution" of ante bellum days. Autograph letter of General John A. Mc-Clelland, dated May 8, 1860. The gifts of Rev. Edwin Sawyer Walker.

Receipts to John Reit for five dollars, subscribed to the building fund for the new hall of the Chicago Turngemeinde, signed by David Huth, "Sprecher," and other officers, Chicago, Dec. 6, 1856. The gift of Mr. Charles Harpel.

"Chicago; Origin of the Name of Our City: The Old Portage," by J. F. Steward. Mr. Steward's minute investigation of the Indian derivation of the name Chicago from the Algonquin words for skunk and wild onion should put an end to other theories less well authenticated. "The Old Portage" is an interesting contribution to the literature relative to the Chicago Portage. It is in fact an interpretation of Father Marquette's Journal in the light of his map, John Andrew's map of 1782, Hall's map of 1812, the Government survey of 1822, and Lowe's map of Chicago and environs, 1854. Mr. Steward has combined the coinciding features of these five maps and produced a map on which the Chicago Portage is laid down with mathematical exactness, and the site of Marquette's

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winter cabin indicated on the north bank of the river between what are now Lincoln and Robey Streets. The gift of the AUTHOR.

Photographic fac-simile of the "Treaty between the United States of America and the French Republic." This Treaty, signed at Paris the 30th of April, 1803, by Robert R. Livingston and James Madison, Ministers Plenipotentiary on the part of the United States, and by Barbé Marbois on the part of the French Republic, consummated the cession of the Louisiana Purchase to the United States. The gift of Mr. Pierre Choteau of St. Louis, through Miss C. M. McIlvaine.

Type-written copy of "List of Writings and Bibliographical, Biographical, and Historical Matters," by Eugene F. McPike; also "Partial List of Historical and Genealogical Collections in the Possession of Eugene F. McPike," Chicago, 1904. Mr. McPike's extensive genealogical researches have a distinct importance for this Society, as they comprise many families prominent in the settlement of the Central West. In the catalogue of Mr. McPike's library are many works of exceeding rarity and historical interest. The gift of Mr. Eugene F. McPike.

Type-written copy of the Will of John Crerar bequeathing to the Society \$25,000. The gift of Mr. Leon-ARD A. Bussy.

Purchases-

Autograph letter signed by Joseph Duncan, Governor of Illinois, Elm Grove, 22d August, 1836, to Col. A. P. Field, Secretary of State, directing the latter to issue an order for an election to be held to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Col. Strode, who represented Cook, Jo Daviess, Peoria and Putnam Counties in the Senate of the 9th General Assembly.

Scrap-book containing letters written in camp and on the field during the Civil War, tickets and badges of early political campaigns, currency issued by private parties, local banks, etc., paper fractional currency, and postage both federal and confederate. Purchases-

Le Canada; ou, Nouvelle France, &c., par N. Sanson, d'Abbeville, Geographe ordinaire du Roy, Paris, chez P. Mariette, 1656. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) Winsor says, "A most decided advance came with the map of Sanson in 1656, a far better correlation of the three lower lakes than we found in Champlain." On this map Lake St. Clair is labeled "Lac des Eaux de Mer," and Mr. Beckwith notes, "Lake St. Clair has a number of salt springs on its confluent streams."

Carte de la Nouvelle France, ou se voit le cours des Grandes Revieres de S. Laurens & de Mississippi aujour d'hui S. Louis, Amsterdam. Chez la Veuve de Jo van Keulen & fils, 1719. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) This map is elaborately annotated in all that concerns French fortified posts and Indian villages. Chicago, on a river of the same name which is made to flow into the Illinois, is pushed eastward almost to the present boundary of Ohio. The Wabash River is made to flow into the Ohio not far from the present city of Cairo. Other features are remarkably accurate, for instance the "Village des Tamaroa ou des Caouquia," is located as at present about twenty-four miles below the mouth of the Missouri River.

Carte Particuliere du Fleuve Saint Louis, Dressee sur les Lieux avec les Noms des Sauvages du Pais. [Anon. n. d.] (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) This map was included in Chatelain's Atlas, Amsterdam, 1705-20.

Carte de l'Amerique septentrionale, par M. Bellin, Ingenieur de la Marine, Paris, 1755. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) On this map the rival claims to territory by the French, English, and Spanish are indicated by blue, yellow and red lines respectively. Windsor says that, . . . "the first maps published by Bellin were not thought by the French government sufficiently favorable to their territorial claims, and accordingly he published a new set, better favoring the French. When Shirley speaking with Bellin mentioned this Bellin is said to have answered, 'We in France must obey the King's command.'" Chicago is here marked "F. Checagou."

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"An Accurate Map of North America, Describing and Distinguishing the British, Spanish, and French Dominions, According to the Treaty at Paris, 1763," by Eman Bowan, London, n. d. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.)

"Military and Typographical Atlas of the United States; Including the British Possessions and Florida," by John Melish, Phil. 1813. Hand-colored maps. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.)

"Geographical, Statistical and Historical Map of Indiana," Philadelphia, Cary & Lee, 1822. Hand-colored. In the descriptive matter which borders the map it is stated that, "The northern part of the state is still occupied by Indians and has been very imperfectly explored. The population of Indiana has increased with wonderful rapidity. In 1800 it was 5641. The present population is estimated at 200,000 whites. There are no slaves in the state. . . . Vincennes, the largest town, is on the east side of the Wabash River." This stream, which is designated "Indian Boundary," practically forms the northern boundary of the state, the most northernly counties laid down being Wabash and Delaware.

N. B. In addition to the above a large number of early wall-maps and county atlases have been purchased.

EARLY CHICAGO IMPRINTS.

Donations-

"Illustrated Annual Register of Rural Affairs for 1859," by J. J. Thomas, Chicago, D. B. Cooke & Co., 1859. This little almanac gives the names of many scientific horticulturists and farmers of Illinois, and emphasises the fact that Chicago was fitly named the "Garden City," or "Urbs in Horto" as the seal of our city has it. "Prairie Fruit Culturist," by C. Thurston Chase, Chicago, S. C. Griggs & Co., 1850. The gifts of Mr. H. Henken.

"Prairie Farmer," ed. by J. Ambrose Wight and John A. Kennicott, vol. XV, Chicago, 1855. The gift of Dr. O. L. Schmidt.

EARLY CHICAGO IMPRINTS.

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A collection of invitations, programs, etc., of Chicago entertainments, 1848-1869. "Ordinances of the City of Chicago Passed Since the Publication of the Ordinances of 1851," printed Daily Democratic Press, 1853. "Police Ordinance Rules and Regulations of the City of Chicago; pr. Daily Democratic Press, 1855. Proceedings of the Democratic Congressional Convention for the 1st District, Chicago, Oct. 14, 1862," Chicago, 1862. "City of Chicago Council Proceedings for Municipal Year 1863." The gifts of the late Geo. S. Kimberly.

Purchases-

"Proceedings of the Harbor and River Convention, Held at Chicago, July 5, 1847," Chicago. Pr. by R. L. Wilson, Daily Journal Office, 1847. This small but rare pamphlet records the proceedings of a convention probably the most momentous ever held in Chicago. said that the meeting of that Convention raised the value of Chicago property at once, and was the starting point of the prosperity which continued until the Great Fire, therefore it can fittingly take rank with the latter and with the World's Columbian Exposition, the three greatest advertisements Chicago has ever had. The immediate cause of the calling of this meeting was the veto by the President of the River and Harbor Bill in August, 1846. This bill included an appropriation for work on the Chicago Harbor. Notwithstanding the able support which the bill had received from Daniel Webster, through the efforts of John Wentworth, and the decisive majority which it obtained, President Polk vetoed it and the whole Northwest arose against him, with the result that the great River and Harbor Convention was called for the purpose of promoting the improvement of lake and river navigation of the west. William M. Hall, agent of the Lake Steamboat Association with headquarters at St. Louis was the father of this gathering, wherein was assembled much of the political and commercial ability of the country, protesting against the narrow views and action of the President of the United States. Prominent in the inception of the movement were R. L. Wilson, Dr. W. B. Egan, Robert Fergus, S. Lisle Smith of Chicago, E. B. Ward and Oliver Newberry of Detroit, Millard Fill-

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more and E. G. Spalding of Buffalo. Abraham Lincoln's name appears as a delegate from Sangamon County.

"Report of Jesse B. Thomas as Member of the Executive Committee Appointed by the Chicago River and Harbor Convention," Chicago, Pr. by R. L. Wilson, Daily Journal Office, 1847.

"Galena & Chicago Union Railroad Company First Annual Report," Chicago, Stewart, Wheeler & Ellis, 201 Lake Street, 1848.

"Galena and Chicago Union Railroad Sixth Annual Report," June 1, 1853, Chicago, Democratic Office, 1853. Appended to the report is a large map of the railroad and its connections.

"Charter of the Chicago, St. Charles & Mississippi Air-Line Railroad," Chicago, Democratic Press, 1853.

"Hall's Business Directory of Chicago," Chicago, 1856."

"Chicago and Northwestern Railway Co., Third annual report, June, 1862." (Dunlop, Sewell & Spalding) 1862.

"Chicago and Northwestern Railway Co. Report for the 7th and 8th Fiscal Years," New York, 1867.

"Official Proceedings of the Democratic National Convention, held in 1864, at Chicago," Times Steam Book, Pr., 1864. Among the delegates and alternates to this Convention were John M. Douglas, John D. Caton, Melville W. Fuller, H. L. Bryant, Lambert Tree and P. A. Armstrong.

"Chicago Copperhead Convention, the Treasonable and Revolutionary Utterances of the Men Who Composed it, Extracts from speeches delivered in and out of the National Democratic Convention," Washington, D. C., Published by the Congressional Union Committee, 1864. Some of the treasonable acts charged, were "a surrender to the rebels advocated—a disgraceful and pusillanimous peace demanded—the federal government shamefully villified, and not a word said against the crime and rebellion."

EARLY CHICAGO IMPRINTS.

Purchases—(Continued.)

"Memorial of John Locke Scripps, died September 21, 1866," Chicago, n. d.

"Tenth Annual Statement of the Trade and Commerce of Chicago, for year ending March 31,1868. (Horton & Leonard, Pr.) 1868."

"Charter of the City of Chicago, 1869."

"Manual of the Public Schools of the City of Chicago, Chicago, 1869." Contains chart of the school districts.

"Proceedings of the Common Council of the City of Chicago for the Municipal year 1869-70," Chicago Republican Co., 1870.

"Cogitationes Vespertinae, by Unicus," Chicago, 1872. A curious collection of poems, mainly dramatic, dealings with early Chicago scenes.

CHICAGO-MISCELLANEOUS.

Donations-

"Memorial Volume; Dedicatory and Opening Ceremonies of the World's Columbian Exposition," Chicago, 1893. Invitation to Dedication of Buildings of World's Columbian Exposition. "Authentic World's Fair Journal," June, 1891-Aug., 1893 (complete set). "World's Columbian Exposition Illustrated," edited by James B. Campbell, Chicago, 1891-4. "History of the World's Columbian Exposition, "published by Columbian History Co., Chicago, 1893. "Official Directory of the World's Columbian Exposition," edited by Moses P. Handy, Chicago, 1893. "Book of the Builders," by Burnham & Millet, six parts (all published), Chicago, 1894. A framed facsimile of "The Boston News Letter, from Monday, April 17, to Monday, April 24, 1704." The first newspaper published in America. "Social Register, Chicago," 1897, 1899, 1901, 1902, New York. "The Economist," 1903. "The Great Chicago Theater Disaster," by Marshall Everett (Pub. Union of Am.), 1904. "Memorial in Remembrance of the Iroquois disaster, Dec. 30, 1903," 1904. "List of Victims of the Iroquois Theater Fire, Dec. 30, 1903." The gifts of Mr. S. H. KERFOOT, IR.

CHICAGO-MISCELLANEOUS.

Donations—(Continued.)

Ten scrap-books covering the following subjects: Lincoln, Grant, John Wentworth, Political History of Chicago, Lemon-Brand Contest, Election, 1884, Old Settlers, Obituaries, and World's Columbian Exposition. These handsomely made books are a labor of love and form a valuable addition to the library, being the result of years of discriminating work on the part of one well versed in what has gone to make Chicago what it is. The gift of the compiler, Mr. Charles Harpel.

From Mr. George Merryweather has been received a large number of reports of local institutions, and engraved invitations, souvenirs of important functions.

"Decennial Publications of the University of Chicago," vol. 1-4, 6-10. The gift of the UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

"The Royal Dresden Gallery—Pictures by the Great Masters," New York, n. d. Note. This book, together with a piano and other household furnishings, was buried at the time of the Great Fire several feet in the ground, and so escaped being burned. The gift of Mrs. Gurdon S. Hubbard.

ILLINOIS.

Donations-

"Session Laws Illinois 1831-65, 15 vols." The gift of Mr. Thomas S. McClelland.

"Journal of the House of Representatives of the Second General Assembly of Illinois, 1st Session, Vandalia, 1821." Same; "Fourth General Assembly, Vandalia, 1826." Journal of the Senate of the Fourth General Assembly, Second Session, Vandalia, 1826." Same; "Ninth Assembly, Vandalia, 1835." "Constitution of the State of Illinois, Adopted June 7, 1847." Springfield, 1847. "Journal of the Constitutional Convention of the State of Illinois, Springfield, January 7, 1862." The gifts of Dr. O. L. Schmidt.

"History of Illinois, from its First Discovery to the Present Time," by Henry Brown, New York, 1844. The gift of Rev. Luther Pardee.

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"History of Illinois Republicanism," by Green B. Raum, Chicago, 1900. The gift of the Author.

"History of Negro Servitude in Illinois, 1719-1864," by N. DWIGHT HARRIS, Chicago, A. C. McClurg, 1904. This work contains a fac-simile of the Underground Railway advertisement, taken from the original in "The Western Citizen," July 13, 1844, in the possession of the Society. Autograph presentation by the AUTHOR.

"Government of Illinois, Its History and Administration," by E. B. Greene, New York, 1900. The gift of the Author.

"Transactions of the Illinois State Historical Society for the year 1903," Springfield, 1904. The gift of the Society.

"The Battle of Campbell's Island," by Wm. A. Meese, Moline, 1904. An interesting original investigation into Black Hawk War history. The gift of the Author.

"List of Parishioners of the Church of the Holy Family at Cahokia, 1904," Presented by Rev. FATHER BERKENBROCK through MISS C. M. MCILVAINE.

"33rd Regiment Illinois Veteran Volunteer Infantry in the Civil War, 1861-1865," by Isaac H. Elliott, Gibson City, Ill., 1903. The gift of J. H. BURNHAM.

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"Eight Months in Illinois; with Information to Emigrants," by William Oliver, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, 1843. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) The author of this scarce work, like many Britishers before and since, saw room for great improvement in western farming methods and social customs, for he writes, "The ploughs in Illinois are slight and often very inefficient implements, and so far as I could learn are constructed without much regard for scientific principle.... I am convinced that a good Scotch plough, with the share broader, would break prairie much better than any of those I saw at work in Illinois.... We remained two nights at Kaskaskia. The

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second night, on going up stairs to bed, we found a company, consisting of the landlord, a judge of the county, a surveyor, and two or three of the boarders, in the bedroom playing cards. Money changed hands rapidly in a game somewhat like brag. After looking on for some time, and seeing no likelihood of the company breaking up, we went to bed and fell asleep amid the noise and conversation common on such occasions. Just before I dropped asleep my half conscious eye caught a vision of the judge tumbling into bed with his clothes on."

"Western Emigration: Narrative of a Tour to, and One Year's Residence in 'Edensburgh' (Illinois) by Major Walter Wilkey, An Honest Yeoman of Mooseboro', State of Maine. A more humoursome and interesting 'Traveler's Guide to the West' was never before published, and by which it will be perceived that the famous Maine-Pine-Swamp Speculation' has been completely outdone! Embellished with appropriate cuts," New York, 24 p., 8 mo. This victim of land speculation, who exchanged his home farm for "city lots" and 300 acres of land in Illinois near the "City of Edensburgh," which existed only on paper, ends his chapter of disappointments with the following sound advice to those who like himself have too great expectations:

"Who have a good home and don't realize it A trip to the West will help them prize it!"

"Model Farms and their Methods," edited by Samuel T. K. Prime, Chicago, 1880. About half of the volume, which is devoted wholly to the Northwestern States, deals with the State of Illinois. The author states in the preface that "It is obvious that the plan of this book is cntirely new... every article having been prepared for it by the contributor, whose name appears as such." The contributors are none others than the farmers themselves, one successful one from each county in the state being selected. The editor further states "no pretension to literary merit is made, the 'methods' being described in the language used by the narrator, so as to be easier understood by practical men. No article has been changed to adapt itself to the notions of the editor." The well known

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agriculturists of Illinois appearing here for the first time as authors, would seem, according to their own accounts of methods, etc., to have profited by the suggestions of their British critics.

"Message of the Governor Transmitting the Report of the Board of Commissioners of the Illinois and Michigan Canal to the Legislature of Illinois, Dec. 31, 1838," Vandalia, 1839.

"A Compilation of all the General Laws concerning Real Estate in the State of Illinois," by N. H. Purple, Quincy, 1849.

"Report of the Directors and Stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, March 16, 1853," New York, 1853.

"Illinois Central Railroad Company Offers for Sale over 1,500,000 Acres Selected Farming and Wood Lands, on Each Side of their Railroad in the State of Illinois," Boston, 1857. This interesting pamphlet contains valuable maps of Illinois, as well as letters descriptive of the agricultural advantages of the state from prominent residents.

"Illinois State Business Directory, 1860," compiled by Smith & DuMoulin, Chicago. In the alphabetical section appears the firm of "Abraham Lincoln & William Herndon, lawyers, Springfield." The classified part of this directory is very interesting by reason of the fact that one may find there the names of former busines men of the state, arranged according to occupation under the name of the city or town where they resided.

"Civil Government of Illinois and the United States," by Edwin C. Crawford, (Scott, Foreman & Co.) [c.]

"Aurora As It Is," Aurora, 1868.

"Portrait and Biographical Record of Christian Co., Illinois," 1893.

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"History of Jefferson Co., Illinois," edited by Wm.H. Perrin, 1883.

"Biographical Record of Logan County, Ill.," 1901.

"History of Massac Co., Illinois," by O. J. Page, [Metropolis, Ill., 1900.]

"Historic Morgan and Classic Jacksonville," comp. by Chas. M. Eames, Jacksonville, 1885. Contains valuable anti-slavery material.

"Drown's Record and Historical View of Peoria, with an Almanac and Business Directory for 1851," by S. DeWitt Drown. This rare book contains some early maps and views and an interesting account of Fort Clark and the French Claims, which later occasioned much trouble with land titles in that city.

"The Past and Present of Rock Island County, Ill.," Chicago, Kett & Co., 1877.

"Portrait and Biographical Album of Rock Island Co., Ill.," 1885.

"Biographical Record of Whiteside Co., Ill.," S. J. Clarke Pub. Co., 1900.

"Grierson Raids, and Hatch's Sixty-Four-days March with Biographical Sketches," by R. W. Surby, Chicago, 1865.

"History of the 39th Regiment Ill. Vol. Inf. in the War of the Rebellion," by Chas. M. Clark, Chicago, 1889.

"History of the Fiftieth Regiment Ill. Vol. Inf. in the War of the Union," by Chas. F. Hubert, Kansas City, 1894.

"History of the 115th Regiment Ill. Vol. Inf.," by Isaac Henry Clay Royse, Terre Haute, 1900.

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"Travels Through the Interior Parts of North America in the years 1766, 1767, and 1768," by J. Carver, Esq., 3d ed., London, M DCC LXXXI. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) This is the best edition of Carver and contains in addition to the hand-colored maps and plates of the original edition, a beautiful portrait of Carver, and the wonderfully tinted plate of the tobacco plant. This copy is in the original tree-calf binding, which is perfectly preserved. The gift of Dr. O. L. Schmidt.

"New Discovery of a Vast Country in America," by L. Hennepin, ed. by R. G. Thwaites, Chicago, A. C. McClurg & Co., 1904. 2 vols. "How George Rogers Clark Won the Northwest," by Reuben G. Thwaites, (McClurg) 1903. "Expedition of Captains Lewis and Clark," by Jas. K. Hosmer, 2 vols. (McClurg) 1903. "Gass's Journal of the Lewis and Clark Expedition," by Sergeant Patrick Gass, reprinted, with an introduction by James K. Hosmer, Chicago, A. C. McClurg & Co., 1904. "On the Storied Ohio," by R. G. Thwaites, (McClurg) 1903 "Gen. Nelson's Scout," by Byron A. Dunn, 4th ed., (McClurg) 1903. "On Gen. Thomas's Staff," by Byron A. Dunn, 3d ed. (McClurg) 1902. The gifts of Mr. Ogden T. McClurg.

"Western Missions and Missionaries," by Rev. Father P. J. de Smet, S. J., explorer and missionary to the Northwest Indians. This copy is inscribed to "Mr. J. A. Smith, with the best regards of his traveling companion P. J. de Smet, S. J., Aug. 15, 1864," and is accompanied by a photograph of the Missouri River Steamer "Frank Miner," on which the manuscript of the above work was completed during the three months' return trip from the upper Missouri to St. Louis. The gift of the grand-daughter of J. A. Smith, Miss Valentine Smith.

"The Way to the West," by EMERSON HOUGH, Indianapolis, 1903. The gift of the AUTHOR.

"The Wabash Trade Route in the Development of the Old Northwest," by Elbert Jay Benton, Baltimore, 1903. The gift of the Johns Hopkins University.

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"Collections of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin," edited by Lyman C. Draper, vol. I, 1855, reprint, Madison, 1903. The gift of the Society.

"Documentary Material Relating to the State of Iowa," edited by B. F. Shambaugh. "Messages and Proclamations of the Governors of Iowa," edited by B. F. Shambaugh. The gifts of the STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA.

A collection of invitations, programs, pamphlets, and souvenirs of the opening of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. The gift of MISS VALENTINE SMITH.

"Civil War Times, 1861-65," by Daniel Wait Howe, Indianapolis, 1902. The gift of the AUTHOR.

"The Lord's Prayer," translated into Pottowattomie by Simon Pokagon. Printed on birch bark in English and Pottowattomie. The gift of Mr. C. H. Engle, Hartford, Mich.

Juvenile Histories.

"Conquest of the Old Northwest," by Jas. Baldwin, New York, 1901. "Discovery of the Old Northwest," by Jas. Baldwin, New York, 1901. "Four American Explorers," by Nellie F. Kingsley, New York, 1902. "Four American Pioneers," by Frances M. Perry and Katherine Beebe, New York, 1900. "History of Kentucky," by Elizabeth Shelby Kinkead, New York, 1896. "Stories of the Badger State," by R. G. Thwaites, New York, 1900. "Stories of Indiana," by Maurice Thompson, New York, 1898. "Stories of Missouri," by John R. Musick, New York, 1897. "Stories of Ohio," by W. D. Howells, New York, 1897. "Stories of American Life and Adventure," by Edward Eggleston, New York, 1895. "Tennessee from 1663 to 1900," by G. R. McGee, New York, 1899. The gifts of Mr. Chas. J. Barnes.

Purchases-

Nouveaux voyages dans l'Amerique Septentrionale, by M. Bossu, Amsterdam, 1777.

"Laws, Treaties and Other Documents, having Operation and Respect to the Public Lands, Collected and Arranged Pursuant to an Act of Congress, April 27, 1810, Washington City." (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) In this exceedingly interesting compilation are brought together the acts and treaties defining the limits of the territories formed from the old Northwest Territory, and granting lands and settling private land claims in the Illinois Country. In an act June 20, 1788, confirming tracts of land to "sundry French settlements on the river Mississippi," it is stated that "Near the mouth of the river Kaskaskias, there is a village which appears to have contained nearly eighty families from the beginning of the late revolution . . . and near fifty families at the Kahokia village." March 3, 1791, it was enacted "That two lots of lands, heretofore in the occupation of the priests of Cahokia, be and the same is hereby granted in fee to P. C. Gibault." Notice is given of warrants for lands issued to Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, pre-emption rights to William Wells and others.

"Authentic History of the Second War for Independence," by Samuel R. Brown, Auburn, 1815, 2 vols. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) In a chapter entitled "Indian Attacks and Massacres, in 1812," the Fort Dearborn Massacre is described.

"A Journal Containing an . . . Account . . of Those Heroic Kentucky Volunteers and Regulars Commanded by General Winchester in the Years 1812-13," by Elias Darnall, Philadelphia, 1854. This is the third edition of that rare work which Winsor reckons one of the "chief accounts by participants" in the Winchester Campaign. This copy contains an autograph presentation by J. R. Darnall, the son of Elias.

"Complete History of the Late American War with Great Britain," by M. Smith, 6th ed., Lexington, 1816.

"Emigrant's Directory to the Western States of North America, with instructions for descending the rivers

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Ohio and Mississippi," by William Amphlett, London, Mr. Amphlett was much impressed with the prosperity of St. Louis. He writes, "Fifteen miles below the Missouri, on the west bank of the Mississippi, and nearly the centre of the United States, since the accession of Louisiana, stands St. Louis, (would it had a better name!) This place is most rapidly increasing in trade, wealth and consequence, and it is the metropolis of a very extensive country." Concerning Illinois, he draws some odious comparisons for, speaking of the English Settlements in the vicinity of the Wabash, he says, "The judicious arrangements of Mr. Birkbeck with the active exertion of Mr. Flower, have given an impetus to the improvements in this part of the State, which will be felt as a stimulus to a great distance, and be admired as an example universally ... America is not without numbers of intelligent excellent farmers of her own breeding but they are thinly scattered . . . and the generality of her agriculturists are poor, slovenly and idle. I shall never compliment them at the expense of truth. I know the Americans are very sore at being called idle, and they appeal to the progress of the whole western country; but I am not speaking so much of what is done, as how it is done; their improvements, as they are called, are what an English farmer would call by any other name."

"Connected View of the Whole Internal Navigation of the United States, Natural and Artificial, Present and Prospective, with Maps," Philadelphia, H. Carey & I. Lea, 1826. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) This work, (a product partly of the absence of improved highways and partly of the belief of the early settler, that as the country developed all streams would become extremely valuable) is a catalogue of the canals projected at that time which, if built, would have made a close net work over our prairies. It is a relic of the times when the legislatures were kept busy maintaining by statute the navigability of streams now entirely insignificant. The "Chicago Canal," as laid down, was to extend "from Lake Michigan, at Fort Dearborn . . . to a point on the Illinois ... at the confluence with the Vermillion, distance 120 miles." The maps, on which rivers and canals are laid down with great minuteness, are valuable.

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"Western Miscellany; or, Accounts Historical, Biographical and Amusing," compiled by C. W. Stipp, Xenia, O., 1827. This very scarce work is notable because it contains Bradford's "Historical Notes on Kentucky," no credit being given Bradford either on the title-page nor in the text. The "Notes" contain a valuable account of the campaigns of Boone and George Rogers Clark. The remainder of the volume is taken up with literary effusions such as "Henry and Matilda; or, the Child of the Cascade," "The Fair Maniac," etc.

"Geschichte der Mission der evangelischen Brüder unter den Indianern in Nordamerika, durch Georg Heinrich Loskiel; Barby, zu finden in den Brüdergemeinen—1789." The original edition. Part I, is devoted to description of the habits and customs of the Indians, Parts II and III to the history of the Indians under the Charge of the Moravian Mission. These narratives were drawn from accounts furnished by the Moravian missionaries Spangenberger and Zeisberger, and cover the period from 1727–1787.

"Forsetzung von David Cranzens Brüder-Historie; Vierter Abschnitt, von Synodo 1789 bis zum Synodo 1801, Gnadau, 1816, zu finden in dem Brüdergemeinen."

"History of the Moravian Mission among the Indians in North America... by A Member of the Brethren's Church," London, T. Allman, 1838. In the above the narrative is brought down to the date of the publication. It is based on Loskiel, with additions from "Heckewelder's Narrative." The three foregoing works comprise the history of Moravian Missions for 110 years.

"O-Gî Mau-Kwe Mit-i-gwä-kî (Queen of the Woods) also a Brief Sketch of the Algaic Language by Chief Po-kagon," edited and published by C. H. Engle, Hartford, Mich., 1901. Simon Pokagon, the distinguished Pottawattomie Chief, was the son of Chief Leopold Pokagon, who in 1833 was one of the signers of the Treaty by which the Indian title to the lands about Chicago was extinguished, and it was through the efforts of the son that the United States Government finally allowed the Pot-

Purchases—(Continued.)

tawattomie claim of \$150,000 in 1893, just sixty years after. Simon Pokagon was probably the most highly educated Indian of his time, speaking five languages, and being an eloquent orator and graceful writer.

"The American Fur Trade of the Far West," by Hiram Martin Chittenden, 3 v., New York, 1902.

"Beyond the Mississippi," by Albert D. Richardson, Hartford, 1867.

"The Centennial Northwest," by Chas. R. Tuttle, Madison, 1876.

"Condensed Geography and History of the Western States," by Timothy Flint, 2 v., Cincinnati, 1828.

"Dramatic Life as I Found It," by N. M. Ludlow, St. Louis, 1880.

"Early Steamboat Navigation of the Missouri River," by Hiram Martin Chittenden, 2 v., New York, 1903.

"Emigrant's Guide to the Western States of America; or, Backwoods and Prairies, by John Regan, formerly teacher, Ayrshire, now of Peoria, Ill.," Edinburgh, 1850. A most witty and graphic picture of the country and people of the central west.

"Fifty Years in the Northwest," by W. H. C. Folsom, 1888.

"A Geographical Description of the United States," by John Melish, Philadelphia, 1816.

"The Great West," by Henry Howe, New York, 1857.

"Headwaters of the Mississippi," by Capt. Willard Glazier, Chicago, Rand McNally & Co., 1897.

"Heroic Women of the West," by John Frost, LL.D., Philadelphia, 1854.

Purchases—(Continued.)

"Historic Towns of the Western States," by Lyman P. Powell, ed., New York, 1901.

"Historic Waterways," by Reuben Gold Thwaites, Chicago, 1888.

"Incidents and Sketches Connected with the Early History and Settlement of the West," Cincinnati, U. P. James, n. d. (Hiram W. Beckwith collection.) This curious pamphlet contains among other things an article by John Mason Peck, entitled "Valley of the Mississippi, Sketches of the Olden Times," "Adventures of Captain Daniel Boone," written by himself, and "Sailing Down the Ohio," by Audubon.

"Legends of the War of Independence and of the Earlier Settlements in the West," by T. Marshall Smith, Louisville, Ky., 1855. The author professes to have gathered his information personally from scouts, border warriors, Indians, etc., and gives many anecdotes of Daniel Boone and characters of lesser importance not mentioned in other narratives, but who were nevertheless engaged in public affairs. Among other romantic accounts he gives the story of Salone Maron, a French girl, of Kaskaskia.

"Life on the Mississippi, by Mark Twain," Samuel L. Clemens, Boston, 1883.

"Lloyd's Steamboat Directory and Disasters on Western Waters," by James T. Lloyd, Cincinnati, 1856. This useful publication contains lists of early steamboats, and the names of those who lost their lives in disasters, many views of cities and steamboats, also detailed maps of the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers.

"North-Western Medical and Surgical Journal," ed. by N. S. Davis, M. D., Vol. IV., Chicago, 1855.

"On the Trail of a Spanish Pioneer," by Elliot Coues, 2 v., New York, 1900.

Purchases—(Continued.)

"The Pioneers of the West; or, Life in the Woods," by W. P. Strickland, New York, 1856.

"The Prairie Traveler," by Randolph B. Marcy, New York, 1859.

"Progress of the Republic," edited by Hon. J. C. G. Kennedy, Great Western Edition, Washington, 1856. Contains early views of many cities.

"Roughing It, by Mark Twain," S. L. Clemens, Hartford, 1872.

"Shelby and His Men; or, the War in the West," by John N. Edwards, Cincinnati, 1871.

"Streaks of Squatter Life, and Far West Scenes, by 'Solitaire,'" John S. Robb, of St. Louis, Philadelphia, 1847. A curious collection of anecdotes connected with happenings in Illinois and Missouri, in which many well known characters figure, among them actors, printers, ministers and river men.

"Summer Rambles in the West," by Mrs. Ellet, New York, 1853.

"Theatrical Management in the West for Thirty Years," Sol. Smith, New York, 1868. This volume contains interesting descriptions of theatrical matters in the Mississippi Valley and anecdotes of actors still remembered and others long forgotten.

"Travelers Directory Through the United States," by John Melish, New York, 1825.

"Traveler's Guide Through the Middle and Northern States," by G. M. Davidson, Saratoga Springs, 1840.

"View of the United States, Historical, Geographical and Statistical," by Wm. Darby, Philadelphia, 1828.

"The Western Address Directory, 1837," by W. G. Lyford, Baltimore, 1837.

Purchases—(Continued.)

"The Western Pilot," by Samuel Cumings, Cincinnati, 1834.

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"Where to Emigrate and Why," by Frederick B. Goddard, Philadelphia, 1869.

"Old Northwest" Historical and Genealogical Quarterly, 1904.

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"Report of the Debates and Proceedings of the Convention for the Revision of the Constitution of the State of Indiana," Indianapolis, 1850, 2 vols. "Northern Boundary of Indiana; Message from the President, Dec. 12, 1827," Washington, 1828. "Operations of the Indiana Legion and Minute Men, 1863-4," Indianapolis, 1865. "Indiana's Roll of Honor," by Stevenson & Scribner," Indianapolis, 1864-66, 2 vols. "Indiana Gazetteer; or, Topographical Dictionary," 2d edition, Indianapolis, 1833. "Clinton County," Indiana, 1886. "Hancock County, Indiana, 1818 to 1882," by J. H. Binford, 1882. "The New Harmony Communities," by George Browning Lockwood, Marion, Ind., 1902. An exhaustive account of Robert Owen's experimental Utopia at New Harmony, on the Indiana side of the Wabash River, and its place in the history of communistic experiments. "Indianapolis and Marion County, Indiana," by B. R. Sulgrove, 1884, "Historical Sketch of Johnson County, Indiana," by D. D. Banta, Chicago, 1881. "Madison County, Indiana, 1820-74," by Samuel Harden, Markleville, Ind., 1874. "A History of the City of Vincennes, Ind., from 1702 to 1901, by Henry S. Cauthorn, Terre Haute, 1902.

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"Acts, Resolutions and Memorials of the 2d-4th, 7th General Assembly of the State of Iowa," Iowa City and Des Moines, 1848-58, 4 vols. "Journal of the Senate of General Assembly of Iowa, 1st, 3d, 4th Sessions, 1846-52," Iowa City, 3 vols. "Journal of the House of Rep-

Purchases—(Continued.)

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resentatives of the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, 3d, 4th Sessions, 1850, 1852," Iowa City, 2 vols. "Iowa State Gazetteer," compiled by James T. Hair, Chicago, 1865. "Notes on Iowa Territory," by Willard Barrows, Cincinnati, 1845. "Sketch of Iowa; or, The Emigrant's Guide . . . with sketches of Black Hawk and others," by John B. Newhall, New York, 1841, map.

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WISCONSIN.

"Journal of the Senate of Wisconsin," by Authority, Madison, Wis., 1866. "Statues of the Territory of Wisconsin, pub. by Authority of the Legislative Assembly," Albany, N. Y., 1839. "Synoptical Index of the General and Private and Local Laws of Wisconsin from the Organization of the Territory to 1873," Madison, 1873. "Charter and Ordinances of the City of Milwaukee," Milwaukee, Daily News Print," 1857; the gift of Dr. O. L. Schmidt. "Illustrated History of the State of Wisconsin," by Chas. R. Tuttle, Boston, 1875.

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"Friendship's Offering, a Sketch of the Life of John Mason Peck," by John Reynolds, Belleville, Illinois, Advocate Book and Job Office Print, 1858, 34 p. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.) The extreme rarity of this little book is explained by the author's intro-"It is due to the public to state the ductory note. reason that induced me to write the following sheets. It is mainly, 'Friendship's offering' to the memory of a great and good man, whom I very much respected and esteemed . . . Only a few copies of this work will be published and those at my own expense . . . This very short and unpretending sketch of his life may also stimulate those who may read it to make him their guide of life, to lead them through the vale of tears, and to the happiness allotted to man." The rugged, almost heroic character of John Mason Peck, the author of the "Guide for Emigrants," (1831), and the "Gazetteer of Illinois" (1834), was one well suited to the pen of Governor Reynolds. The sketch is almost as much an index to the character of the author as of his subject, the itinerant preacher of iron will and indomitable energy, who rode over the prairies of Illinois and Missouri for forty years, civilizing and evangelizing as he went. In an apology for describing the appearance and heroic size of Dr. Peck, Reynolds says, "It must be recalled that Dr. Peck was one of the most learned men of the age, and perhaps, possessed of more general intelligence at his death than any individual in the Valley of the Mississippi. Under these circumstances posterity, for whom I write this chapter, and to whom I dedicate it, will be interested to know something of the nature of his mind, and the appearance of his person." And John Reynolds judged correctly for the student of Illinois history is intensely interested and helped by such a vivid picture of the founder of the first successful institution for higher education within the state-Rock Spring Seminary afterwards Shurtleff College, to secure the endowment of which he rode thousands of miles and collected \$26,000. After all he was but a type of the better element of settlers of Illinois. The gift Dr. O. L. SCHMIDT.

BIOGRAPHY AND GENEALOGY-MISCELLANEOUS.

Donations—(Continued.)

"A Group of Distinguished Physicians and Surgeons of Chicago," compiled by F. M. Sperry, Chicago, 1904, portraits. The gift of the late Dr. N. S. Davis, Sr.

"Thomas Jefferson, the Man of Letters," by Lewis H. Boutell, Chicago, 1891. The gift of H. Henken.

"Life of Abraham Lincoln," by Isaac N. Arnold, 9th ed. (McClurg) 1901. The gift of Ogden T. McClurg.

"Abraham Lincoln and his Presidency," by Joseph H. Barrett, 2 v., Cincinnati, 1904. The gift of J. H. BARRETT.

"Carter Henry Harrison," by Willis John Abbot. The gift of Hon. Carter H. Harrison, Jr.

"Biographical Memorial of General Daniel Butterfield;" edited by Julia Lorrilard Butterfield, New York, 1900. The gift of Mrs. Butterfield.

"The General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Meetings, Officers and Members," 1901. Bound in pink and white full Levant morocco. "Society of Mayflower Descendants, Publication No. 1," Chicago, 1900. Bound in pink and white full Levant morocco, with flowered end-papers. Altogether quite the most exquisite volume received this year. "Register of Officers and Members of the Society of Colonial Wars." 1897-1898, New York, "General Register of the Society of Colonial Wars," New York, 1902. "History, Charter, and By-Laws of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Illinois," Chicago, 1900. "Ephraim and Pamela (Converse) Morris, Their Ancestors and Descendants," by Tyler Seymour Morris, Chicago, 1894. "Tucker Genealogy," by Tyler Seymour Morris, Chicago, 1901. "History of Hartford, Vt.," by Wm. Howard Tucker, Burlington, 1889. The gifts of Mr. SEYMOUR MORRIS.

Purchases-

"First White Man of the West; or, The Life and Exploits of Col. Daniel Boone," by Timothy Flint, Cincinnati, 1851. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.)

BIOGRAPHY AND GENEALOGY-MISCELLANEOUS.

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"Life and Times of Lewis Cass," by W. L. G, Smith, New York, 1856. (Hiram W. Beckwith Collection.)

"Life of Stephen A. Douglas, by a Member of the Western Bar," New York, 1860.

"Political Record of Stephen A. Douglas on the Slavery Question; a Tract Issued by the Illinois Republican State Central Committee," 1860.

"Gen. Grant and His Campaigns," by Julian K. Larke, New York, 1864.

"Life, Speeches, State-Papers and Public Services of Gov. Oliver P. Morton," by William M. French, Cincinnati, 1864.

LINCOLNIANA.

"Life and Times of Abraham Lincoln," by L. P. Brockett, Philadelphia, 1865.

"Life of Abraham Lincoln," by Frank Crosby, Philadelphia, 1865.

"Illustrated Life, Services, Martyrdom and Funeral of Abraham Lincoln," Philadelphia, 1865.

"The Forest Boy; a Sketch of the Life of Abraham Lincoln," by Z. A. Mudge, New York, 1867.

"Words of Lincoln," by Osborn H. Oldroyd, Washington, c. 1895.

"Anecdotal Lincoln," by Paul Selby, Chicago, 1900.

"Nancy Hanks," by Caroline Hanks Hitchcock, New York, 1900.

"The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln," by Osborn H. Oldroyd, Washington, 1901.

BIOGRAPHY AND GENEALOGY-LINCOLNIANA.

Purchases—(Continued.)

"Abraham Lincoln, the Man of the People," by Norman Hapgood, New York, 1903. The gift of the AUTHOR.

"Great Americans of History; Abraham Lincoln," by Robert D. Sheppard and others, Milwaukee, Campbell Pub. Co., 1903. Gift of the Publishers.

PIONEER PREACHERS.

These biographies have proven valuable to numerous students as they contain a mass of material on the geography, manners, customs, etc. of early settlements.

"Autobiography of Peter Cartwright, the Backwoods Preacher," ed. by W. P. Strickland, Cincinnati, 1859.

"Life of Rev. John Clark," by B. M. Hall, New York, 1856.

"Memoir of Rev. Nathaniel Colver," by J. A. Smith, Boston, 1873.

"The Dealings of God, Man, and the Devil as Exemplified in the Life, Experience, and Travels of Lorenzo Dow," 4th ed., Norwich, 1833.

"Recollections of My Life, Fifty Years of Itineracy in the Northwest," by Chas. Hobart, Red Wing, 1885.

"Ten Years of Preacher-Life," by Wm. Henry Milburn, New York, 1859.

"Thirty Years in the Itinerancy," by Rev. W. G. Miller, Milwaukee, 1875.

"Foot-Prints of an Itinerant," by Maxwell Pierson Gaddis, Cincinnati, 1855.

"Life and Shadows of a Missionary Life," by Rev. John H. Pitezel, Cincinnati, 1860.

"Brief Recollections of the Late Rev. Geo. W. Walker," by Rev. Maxwell P. Gaddis, Cincinnati, 1859.

BIOGRAPHY AND GENEALOGY-PIONEER PREACHERS.

"Life and Times of Rev. Allen Wiley, A. M.," by Rev. F. C. Holliday, A. M., Cincinnati, 1853.

"Journal of the Life, Travels and Gospel Labors of William Williams," Cincinnati, 1828.

"Sketches of Western Methodism," by Jas. B. Finley, Cincinnati, 1854.

"Indiana Methodism," by Rev. F. C. Holliday, Cincinnati, 1873.

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS.

Donations-

"Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, 1873-1900." 45 volumes. The gift of HERRICK, ALLEN, BOYESEN & MARTIN.

"Chicago Evening Journal," Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1871. In this edition as in that of Oct. 9, also in the possession of the Society, Mrs. O'Leary, her cow and the lamp figure as the cause of the fire. "Rockford Gazette, Latest! Third Dispatch, Chicago, Oct. 9, 3 P. M. The Fire still raging at 3 P. M. The Great Union Depot Destroyed, 13 Post Office Clerks Burned to Death! 100,000 People Homeless and Starving." The gift of Mrs. D. D. MICHAELS.

"Hyde Park Herald," 1885. "Hyde Park Daily Sun," 1878. The gift of Mr. Norman P. Willard.

"Illinois and Indiana Newspapers," 1829-60 (187 odd numbers). The gift of Dr. O. L. Schmidt.

The following newspapers file bound volumes of their issues with the Society:—"Chicago Tribune," "Chicago Record Herald," "Chicago Daily News," and "The Inter Ocean." The "Chicago Chronicle" donates its daily issues.

"New England Historical and Genealogical Register," 1904.

Purchases-

"Family Magazine; or, Monthly Abstract of General Knowledge," Cincinnati, 1836-41.

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS.

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"Family Magazine," edited by Origen Bachelor, vol. 1, New York, 1833-4. Contains among other curious wood cuts, pictures of Black Hawk, Mount Joliet, and Rock Fort, Illinois.

"Illinois Staats-Zeitung," 1875-76, 1888-98, 53 volumes.

"Kansas Magazine," vols. 2 and 3, 1873, Topeka. Scarce.

"Ladies' Repository, a Monthly Periodical," ed. by Rev. B. F. Tefft, vols. 10-27, Cincinnati, 1850-67.

"The Lakeside Monthly," vol. 7, Jan'y to June 1872, University Pub. Co., Chicago, 1872.

"Monthly Western Jurist, vol. 1, 1874-75, Thomas F. Tipton, editor, Bloomington, Ill., 1875.

"Chicago Evening Post," Saturday, Oct. 7, 1871.

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REFERENCE WORKS, ETC.

Donations-

"A. L. A. Catalogue, Good Volumes for a Popular Library, 1904," prepared by the New York State Library and The Library of Congress under the auspices of the American Library Association, and edited by Melvil Dewey, Washington, 1904. The gift of the LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

"Cambridge Modern History; vol. VII., United States, New York, 1903. "Acts passed at the Second Session of the Eighteenth Congress of the United States, Washington, 1824. Same; "First Session Nineteenth Congress," Washington, 1826. Same; "Second Session, Thirty-first Congress," Washington, 1850. "Writings on

REFERENCE WORKS, ETC.

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American History, 1902, an Attempt at an Exhaustive Bibliography of Books and Articles on United States History Published During 1902," by E. C. Richardson and A. E. Morse, Princeton, N. J., 1904. The gifts of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT,

"Catalogue of the Illinois State Library, Compiled under the Direction of James A. Rose, Secretary of State," Danville, 1903. The gift of the SECRETARY OF STATE.

"Dictionary of the Holy Bible . . . written originally in French by Augustin Calmet, a Benedictine Monk, and now translated into English by Samuel D'oyle, and John Colson," London, M.DCCC. XXXII., 3 vols. This work is illustrated by one hundred and sixty full large engravings. The gift of Mr. OLIVER F. FULLER.

Seventy-three volumes of miscellaneous reference books, reports, etc., also a memorandum-book once the property of George Ade, containing notes for articles. The gifts of the Chicago Daily News.

Purchases-

"Historical Nuggets: Bibliotheca Americana," Henry Stevens, London, 1862, 2 vols.

"History of the Political Parties of the United States," by Rufus Blanchard, Chicago, Rand, McNally & Co., 1889.

"The Literature of American History," by J. N. Larned, Boston, 1902.

"Who's Who in America," 1903-5, ed. by John W. Leonard, Chicago, A. N. Marquis & Co.

HISTORICAL FICTION — CHICAGO AND THE CENTRAL WEST.

Donations—

"Robert Cavelier," by Wm. Dana Orcutt, Chicago, 1904. "The Story of Tonty," by M. H. Catherwood, 6th ed., McClurg, 1901. "When Wilderness was King," by Randall Parrish, Chicago, A. C. McClurg & Co., 1904. "My Lady of the North, the Love Story of a Gray-Jacket," by Randall Parrish, Chicago, A. C. McClurg & Co., 1904. The gifts of Mr. Ogden T. McClurg.

HISTORICAL FICTION — CHICAGO AND THE CENTRAL WEST.

Donations—(Continued).

"Ongon, a Tale of Early Chicago," by Dubois H. Loux, New York, 1902. The gift of the AUTHOR.

"The Shadow of Victory," by Myrtle Reed, New York, 1903. The gift of the AUTHOR.

"A Forest Hearth, a Romance of Indiana in the Thirties," by Charles Major, New York, 1903. "The Bears of Blue River," by Charles Major, New York, 1901. A boy's story of Indiana in the Twenties. Autograph presentations by the AUTHOR.

"The Banditti of the Prairies," by Edward Bonney, Chicago, n. d. The gift of Mr. Wm. A. Meese.

Purchases-

"Wau-Nan-Gee; or, The Chicago Massacre; a Romance of the American Revolution," [sic], by Major Richardson, New York, 1852. This rare little volume, with its curious solecism in the title, is the forerunner of the hoard of historical novels dealing with the central West which have descended upon us of late. Major Richardson was a British officer (only 15 years of age, for he was born in 1797) stationed at Detroit in 1812, when Captain and Mrs. Heald surrendered themselves as, prisoners-of-war at that post after the Fort Dearborn Massacre.

"The Pit; a Story of Chicago," by Frank Norris, 1903.

"The Russells in Chicago," by Emily Wheaton, Boston, 1902.

"On Fortune's Road, Stories of Business," by Will Payne, Chicago, 1902.

"The Biography of a Prairie Girl," by Eleanor Gates, New York, 1902.

"The Darlingtons," by Elmore Peake, New York, 1900.

HISTORICAL FICTION - CHICAGO AND THE CENTRAL WEST.

Purchases—(Continued.)

"Out of the West," by Elizabeth Higgins, New York, 1902.

"Prairie Folks," by Hamlin Garland, Chicago, 1895.

"Main Traveled Roads," by Hamlin Garland, Boston, 1891.

"The Gentleman from Indiana," by Booth Tarkington, New York, 1900.

"The Two Vanrevels," by Booth Tarkington, New York, 1902. A story of the Old Northwest.

"Viola; or, Life in the Northwest, by a Western Man," Chicago, 1874.

"The Spirit of an Illinois Town, and the Little Renault," by Mary Hartwell Catherwood, Boston, 1897.

"The Jericho Road, a Story of Western Life," by W. B. Adkins, Chicago, Jansen, McClurg & Co., 1877.

The list of accessions has been given with more than the customary fullness in order to indicate the particular field and scope of this library, and also in the hope that it may prove suggestive to friends of the Society who have like material which they would be willing to donate.

Respectfully submitted, CAROLINE M. McIlvaine, Librarian

BISHOP CHENEY moved, seconded by Dr. Schmidt, that the Librarian's Report be approved and placed on file. Carried.

The members of the Board of Trustees of the Gilpin Fund being absent, the Secretary presented and read their Report as follows:

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE GILPIN FUND OF THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOGIETY.

From November 15, 1903, to July 6, 1904.

1903.	RECEIPTS.	
Nov. 15	Cash, 3% Certificate of Deposit in Merchants' Loan and Trust Co	\$ 624.68
1904.		
Jan. 8	Semi-annual coupons on \$22,500, $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ bonds	393.75
	4% bonds	835.60
		\$1,854.03
	ASSETS.	
Chicago Certific	o City $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ bonds, par value \$ 22,500.00 city 4 % bonds, par value 41,780.00 ate of Deposit, 3% 624.68 ate of Deposit, 3% 1,229.35	\$66,314.03
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	LIABILITIES.	
Amount	received from estate of Henry D. Gilpin, deceased	\$64,314.34
Sur	plus	\$ 1,819.69

On July 6, 1904, upon petition made by Eugene H. Fishburn and Franklin Head, surviving Trustees of the Gilpin Trust, to the Superior Court of Cook County, for the appointment of additional Trustees, an order was entered by the Court, approving the foregoing account and appointing Clarence A. Burley, Walter L. Fisher and Erskine M. Phelps as additional Trustees.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM JULY 6, 1904, TO NOVEMBER 15, 1904.
July 6 Cash, 3% Cert. of Deposit\$ 624.68
Cash, 3% Cert. of Deposit 1,229.35 \$ 1,845.03
July 6 Semi-annual coupons on
\$22,500, 3½% bonds \$ 393.75
Semi-annual coupons on
\$41,780, 4% bonds 835,60
Interest on Cert. of Deposit 35.85 1,265.20
Nine \$500, 4% bonds matured 4,500.00
Nov. 11 Interest on Cert. of Deposit 15.62
\$7,634.85
1904 DISBURSEMENTS.
July 6 Paid Safety Box rent to
July 1, 1905\$ 10.00
Paid Judge Dent court costs,
appointment of Trustees 10.00
Paid \$5,500 City of Chicago
4% bonds, due July 1, 1921 5,500.00
Premium at 3½
Nov. 11 Chicago Historical Society,
account maintenance of
library
Certified copies of Court
order (3) 3.00 7,497.92
Cash on hand, (3% C-D
\$124.31, money, \$12.62) \$ 136.93
ASSETS.
Chicago City 3½% bonds,
par value\$22,500.00
Chicago City 4% bonds, par
value
Cash
LIABILITIES.
Amount received from Estate of Henry D. Gilpin, deceased
Surplus
CLAPENCE A RUDLEY
CLARENCE A. BURLEY, ERSKINE M. PHELPS,
WALTER L. FISHER,
MR. BLATCHFORD moved that the Report of the
Trustees of the Gilpin Fund be referred to the Executive
Committee. Mr. Dent seconded the motion, and it was
put and adopted.
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The Treasurer, Mr. Orson Smith, being absent, the Secretary presented and read the following:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 15, 1904.

RECEIPTS. Balance on hand Nov. 17, 1903 Deposits by Secretary\$4,138.12 Deposits account Gilpin Fund 1,800.00 Interest on Porter and Welch loan. 437.50 Interest on Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Bonds	\$ 6,935.25 6,678.74
Interest on Dank Account 103.12	0,070.74
	\$13,613.99
DISBURSEMENTS.	φ10,010.
Vouchers issued by the Secretary, countersigned by the President.\$7,655.93 Balance an hand Nov. 15, 1904 5,958.06	\$13,613,99
The above balance is made up as follows: General Fund, balance on hand \$4,822.04 Carpenter Fund, balance on hand 111.62 Lucretia Pond Fund, bal. on hand 230.66 Jonathan Burr Fund, bal. on hand 127.30 E. H. Stickney Fund, bal. on hand 632.80 Jackson Fund, balance on hand 33.64	
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Respectfully submitted,	

Orson Smith, Treasurer.

JUDGE TREE moved that the Treasurer's report be referred to the Executive Committee. Mr. Bowen seconded the motion and it was adopted.

MR. KERFOOT read the following preamble and reso-

lutions, and moved their adoption:

Whereas: The Church of the Holy Family at Cahokia, probably the oldest building now standing in the State of Illinois, is threatened with destruction, owing to the poverty of the parish of that name in which it is located—as appears from the Annual Report of the Librarian of this Society: and,

WHEREAS: The Executive Committee of this Society has been informed and believes that for a small sum of money the said ancient Church building and the ground upon which it stands can either be purchased or so secured that the preservation of said building may be permanently

assured: and

Whereas: Said Committee is further informed that certain persons of reliable standing and imbued with laudable veneration for the monuments of the christianizing labors of Marquette, LaSalle, Hennepin and others in earliest Illinois, are anxious to accomplish, or aid, such preservation:

Now therefore be it, and it is hereby

Resolved: That the members of the Chicago Historical Society, in regular Annual Meeting assembled, hereby approve and endorse the proposed purchase of the said ancient Church building with so much of its land as may be advisable, or the securing thereof under perpetual lease, and the preservation thereof for the education of school children, artists and students of history.

Be it also, and it is hereby further

Resolved: That the Executive Committee of this Society be and is hereby authorized, empowered and instructed to appropriate, from the General Fund of this Society, a sum not less than Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) [nor more than Fifty dollars], and to pay the same to such corporation or Board of Trustees as may be legally formed to acquire, control and preserve such Church and land; provided that the President of this Society, and the resident Priest in charge of said parish of the Holy Family shall be, ex-officiis, directors of such Corporation or members of such Board of Trustees; and provided further that a metal tablet shall be erected and at all times maintained upon or within said Church stating, in effect, that said Church has been rescued from destruction and preserved as a part of the work of the Chicago Historical Society.

GENERAL NEWBERRY moved to amend the resolutions to read "Not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$50.00." The amendment being accepted by Mr. Kerfoot and seconded by Mr. Gunther was then put and the resolutions adopted as amended.

The Chairman announced that the next order of business was the election of officers and that a president, two vice-presidents, and three members of the Executive Committee were to be elected. Mr. Bannard moved, seconded by Mr. Blatchford, that the chair appoint a committee of three members on nomination. Carried.

The Chairman appointed as such committee Messrs. Bannard, Merryweather and Blatchford. The committee retired and later Mr. Bannard, for the committee, reported as follows:

Your committee reports the following nominations: For President, Franklin H. Head:

sident, Franklin H. HEAD;

to succeed John N. Jewett, deceased.

For First Vice-President, Thomas Dent, to succeed Franklin H. Head.

For Second Vice-President, LAMBERT TREE, to succeed THOMAS DENT.

For members of the Executive Committee:

Samuel H. Kerfoot, Jr., to succeed himself, for term ending November, 1908.

JOSEPH T. BOWEN, to succeed himself, for the term ending November, 1908.

Walter C. Newberry, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Levi Z. Leiter, for the term ending November, 1905.

(Signed) Henry C. Bannard, George Merryweather, E. W. Blatchford.

On motion of BISHOP CHENEY, sconded by Mr. Hulburd, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Society for the persons nominated for the several offices. The Secretary did as instructed, and the President declared the nominees duly elected.

MR. HEAD, in accepting the presidency for the ensuing year, thanked the Society for the honor, and said that he would try to discharge the duties of the office to the best of his ability,

MR. KERFOOT fittingly thanked the Society for his re-election and added that it should be the pleasure of the Society that some expression of its grateful appreciation of MR. HEAD'S services be spread upon its Records; he thereupon moved the adoption of the following resolution:

That the thanks of the Executive Committee and of the Society be tendered to Mr. Head for his zealous interest in and attention to the Society's affairs, both as a member of the Executive Committee in Mr. Garrett's place, and as Acting-President of the Society since Mr. Jewett's death.

On being seconded by Dr. Schmidt and General Newberry the motion was put by Mr. Kerfoot and

carried.

The Secretary read a list of persons recommended by the Executive Committee for election to membership as follows:

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

MRS. ELLEN ROUNTREE JEWETT.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP.

MR. MYRON H. BEACH.

" S. Lockwood Brown.

DR. NATHAN SMITH DAVIS, JR. MR. TURLINGTON W. HARVEY.

MRS. ANNIE W. L. KERFOOT.

Mr. James H. Roberts. Elias M. Watkins.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.
Mr. Fernando Jones.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERSHIP.

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" WILLIAM BEER.
THOMAS BUCKLEY.

Rev. John Chrysostom Burke.

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" PIERRE CHOUTEAU.

" WILLIAM H. GALE.

HERMAN H. KOHLSAAT.

" W. J. McGee.

" WILLIAM C. MILLS.

MR. QUAN moved that the Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of those present for the election of the persons recommended by the Executive Committee for the several classes of membership. Seconded by DR. SCHMIDT and carried. The Secretary cast the ballot as instructed and the persons were declared elected.

MR. BLATCHFORD moved "That the Executive Committee be directed to prepare and report at the next meeting of the Society, such modifications and amendments of the Constitution and By-Laws as they may think advisable; and especially to reduce the number necessary to make a quorum for the transaction of business. Seconded by GENERAL NEWBERRY and others, and adopted,

GENERAL NEWBERRY, being called on by President Head for remarks, made the following suggestions:

That hereafter the Annual Report of the Executive Committee be printed, and distributed among the members at the Annual Meeting, thus saving them the tedious ordeal of listening to the reading of a mass of figures and data which in themselves are extremely interesting and instructive, but take up too much time of the meeting. The Year Book of the Society, he said, with its reports and suggestions, should be carefully and thoroughly read by every member of the Society, in order that they might see and know the great work that the Society has done and the further results which it hopes to accomplish.

The foregoing suggestions were warmly commended by several of the members, and President Head stated that he had no doubt the Executive Committee would adopt them and act accordingly.

There being no further business, on motion, duly seconded, the Society adjourned.

James W. Fertig, Secretary.

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